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HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA
36th PARLIAMENT, 1st SESSION

[MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS]

EVIDENCE

Standing Committee
on

FISHERIES AND OCEANS

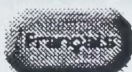
Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 1

Monday, October 7, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of the Chairman.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING

Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, October 7, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 11:05 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 371, West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair and two Vice-Chairs, pursuant to Standing Orders 106(1) and (2).

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Dick Harris for Reed Elley.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon and Claude Emery, Research Officers.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

Wayne Easter moved - That, George Baker be elected Chair of the Committee. It was agreed to on the following recorded division.

Yeas

George Baker, Yvan Bernier,
John Duncan, Wayne Easter,
Dick Harris, Charles Hubbard,
Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung,
Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn,
Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien,
Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau,
Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer. (16)

Nays

(Nil)

Accordingly, George Baker was declared duly elected Chair of the Committee and took the Chair.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That, Gary Lunn be elected opposition Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Gar Knutson, it was agreed, - That, Charles Hubbard, be elected government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Paul Steckle moved, - That, the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs, the Parliamentary Secretary and one Member from the Bloc Quebecois, New Democratic Party, and the Progressive

Conservative do compose the sub-committee on Agenda and Procedure. After debate, thereon, it was agreed to.

Paul Steckle moved, - That, the Chair be authorized to hold meetings in order to receive evidence when a quorum is not present, providing that at least 3 members, including both Government and opposition be present, with the provision that, in the case of the absence of either Government or opposition members, the chair be authorized to call the meeting to order no sooner than 15 minutes after the time indicated on the notice as long as 3 members are present. After debate, thereon, it was agreed to.

John Duncan moved - That, in relation to speaking rotation and times, that it shall be left to the discretion of the Chair. After debate, thereon, it was agreed to.

On motion of Gar Knutson, it was agreed, - That, the Committee retain the services of one or more Research Officers from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chairman.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That, whenever Order in Council appointments are referred to this committee, the Clerk shall obtain and circulate to each Member of the committee a copy of said appointments.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That, at the discretion of the Chairman, reasonable travelling expenses, as per the regulations established by the Board of Internal Economy be paid to witnesses invited to appear before the Committee, and that payment of these expenses be limited to two (2) representatives per organization.

At 12:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the Call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, October 21, 1997

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order (108(2), consideration of the following:

Chapter 14 of the Report of the Auditor General – (Fisheries and Oceans of Canada – Sustainable Fisheries Framework: Atlantic Groundfish)

Chapter 15 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Rationalization and Renewal: Atlantic Groundfish)

Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General – (Human Resources Development Canada – The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy)

WITNESSES:

L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada;

Doug Timmins, Assistant Auditor General.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 2.)

Tuesday, October 21, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a *televised session*, at 9:34 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member present: Preston Manning for Reed Elley.

Other Member present: John O'Reilly.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon and Claude Emery, Research Officers.

Witnesses: L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada, Doug Timmins, Assistant Auditor General.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the following: Chapter 14 of the Report of the Auditor General - (Fisheries and Oceans of Canada - Sustainable Fisheries Framework: Atlantic Groundfish); Chapter 15 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada - Rationalization and Renewal: Atlantic Groundfish); Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General - (Human Resources Development Canada - The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy).

Denis Desautels made an opening statement and with the other witness answered questions.

At 11:15 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

Bill Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, October 21, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) relating to Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, October, 1997

WITNESSES:

Department of Human Resources Development:

David A. Good, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources Investment Branch;

Eugene Harrigan, Executive Head, Post-TAGS Review;

Kenneth Kerr, Director, Policy and Design, Human Resources Investment Branch.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
Meeting No 3

Tuesday, October 21, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session, at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon and Claude Emery, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Human Resources Development: David A. Good, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources Investment Branch, Eugene Harrigan, Executive Head, Post-TAGS Review, Kenneth Kerr, Director, Policy and Design, Human Resources Investment Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) relating to Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, October, 1997.

David Good made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 5:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 4

Thursday, October 23, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) relating to Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, October 1997

WITNESSES:

Halifax West Commercial Fishermen's Association:

Sam Ellsworth, President.

HELP (St. John's, Newfoundland):

Jim Everard, President.

Local Fisheries Association:

Joe Edwards, President (Lawn, Newfoundland);

Edgar Jarvis, President (St. Lawrence, Newfoundland).

South West Fishermen's Quota Group Association:

Ron Newell, President.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 4)

Thursday, October 23, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:00 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 701, La Promenade, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Howard Hilstrom for Reed Elley and Mike Scott for John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From St-John's Newfoundland: Jim Everard, Help Group, Joe Edwards, President, Local Fisheries (Lawn, Nfld.), Edgar Jarvis, President, Local Fisheries (St. Lawrence, Nfld.). *From "Usine Nor-Pro":* Léon Jomphe. *From "Usine Madelipêche":* Arthur Jomphe. *From "Regroupement des Pêches Professionnels du sud de la Gaspésie":* Onil Cloutier, Michel Syvret. *From Halifax West Commercial Fishermen's Association:* Sam Ellsworth, President, Ron Newell, President, South West Fishermen's Quota Group Association.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) relating to chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, October 1997.

On motion of Bill Mathews it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to write to the Auditor General on behalf of the Committee, requesting the Auditor General to undertake an investigation of the list of the TAGS Grants as supplied by the Newfoundland Help Group and other expenditures that are not considered as income support payments.

Jim Everard, Joe Edwards and Edgar Jarvis made opening statements and answered questions.

At 9:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee was suspended.

At 10:00 o'clock a.m., the Committee resumed.

Onil Cloutier, Léon Jomphe, Arthur Jomphe and Michel Syvret made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee was suspended.

At 11:00 o'clock a.m., the Committee resumed.

Sam Ellsworth and Ron Newell made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 5

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. (5))

Tuesday, October 28, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 10:02 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 701, La Promenade, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer..

Acting Members present: Stan Dromisky for Gar Knutson, John Maloney for Paul Steckle, Dan McTeague for Sophia Leung.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

The Committee proceeded to discuss future business.

It was agreed, - That, the Committee approve the proposed budget of \$10,000 for video conferencing and witness expenses, and that the Chair be authorized to present the said budget to the Liaison Committee.

It was agreed, - That each Committee member be allowed to have one staff person present at in camera meetings.

It was agreed, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents, to the members of the Committee in the language received, and to ensure that such documents are translated and distributed as promptly as possible.

It was agreed, - That the Steering Committee be authorized to organize and plan for the Committee travel to Atlantic Canada.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to ask the Minister of Fisheries, that a sub-committee of the Standing Committee of Fisheries and Oceans be allowed to participate as part of the Canadian delegation who will attend the meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), which will be held in Madrid, Spain from November 14, 1997 to November 21, 1997.

It was agreed, - That if the Committee did not receive permission to travel to Madrid as part of the delegation, that the Committee seek an Order of Reference to send a sub-committee of the Standing Committee to travel to the ICCAT meeting in Spain, to act as observers.

At 11:01 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 6

Thursday, October 30, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the Atlantic Groundfish Strategy

WITNESSES:

Fisheries Community, St. John's, Newfoundland:

Marcel O'Brien, Chairman.

Fisheries Spokesperson for Green Bay:

Captain Wilfred Bartlett.

Local Fishermen's Group, Sydney, Nova Scotia:

Keven Squires, Secretary.

Maritime Fishermen's Union:

Jeff Brownstein, President, Local 6.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No6)

Thursday, October 30, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:05 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 701, La Promenade, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, M. Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Herman Carter, Vice-President, Newfoundland Fishermen and Allied Union Workers; Capt. Wilfred Bartlett, Fisheries Spokeperson for Green Bay. Marcel O'Brien, Chairman, Fisheries Community; Kevin Squires, Secretary, Local Fishermen's Group; Jeff Brownstein, President, Local 6 of the Maritime Fishermen's Union.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Atlantic Groundfish Strategy (TAGS) relating to Chapter 16 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, October 1997. (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Tuesday, October 21, 1997).

By Videoteleconference, from Gander, Nfld.: Captain Wilfred Bartlett made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 9:56 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:10 o'clock a.m., the Committee resumed.

By Videoteleconference, from St. John's, Nfld.: Marcel O'Brien made an opening statement and answered questions.

The Chairman presented the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follows:

- That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans request an Order of Reference to travel to Newfoundland, Quebec, New-Brunswick, Nova-Scotia during the week of November 23rd and that the said Committee be composed of 2 Reform members, 1 Bloc Québécois member, 1 N.D.P. member, 1 P. C. member and 5 Liberals members and the necessary staff to accompany the Committee.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, - That the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure was concurred.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans request an Order of Reference to travel to Newfoundland, Quebec, New-Brunswick, Nova-Scotia during the week of November 23rd and that the said Committee be composed of 2 Reform members, 1 Bloc Québécois member, 1 N.D.P. member, 1 P. C. member and 5 Liberals members and the necessary staff to accompany the Committee.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee was suspended.

At 11:05 o'clock a.m., the Committee resumed.

From Sydney, Jeff Brownstein and Kevin Squires both made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:00 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study of West Coast Fisheries

WITNESSES:

Campbell River Community Fisheries Committee:

Ted Martin, Co-Chair.

Community Fisheries Development Centre:

Russ Hellberg;

Christine Hunt;

Marcel Lefebvre;

John Young.

North Island Fisheries Initiative:

Don Fish.

Pacific Salmon Foundation:

Rich Chapple, Executive Director.

United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union:

Rick Frey, President, Local 17.

West Coast Sustainability Association:

Dan Edwards.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 7)

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:34 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 701, La Promenade, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: : George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, M. Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery, Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Pacific Salmon Foundation: Rich Chapple, Executive Director. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre:* John Young, Director of Intergovernmental. *From West Coast Sustainability Association:* Dan Edwards, President. *From Campbell River Community Fisheries Committee:* Ted Martin, Co-Chair. *From North Island Fisheries Initiative:* Don Fish. *As an Individual:* Russ Helberg, Mayor of Port Hardy, Board Member of Coastal Communities Network.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study of West Coast Fisheries.

Rich Chapple, John Young, Russ Helberg and Dan Edwards made opening statements and with the other witnesses answered questions.

By unanimous consent, Gary Lunn tabled a Memorandum to the Minister of Fisheries regarding Management of Sub-Area 0 Turbot Fishery.

Ted Martin, Dan Fish and Rick Frey made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to raise the matter with the Liaison Committee of the delay in receiving the unedited copy of the committee's evidence.

At 5:35 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, November 6, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), dealing with the science branch

WITNESS:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

William Doubleday, Director General, Fisheries and Oceans Science Directorate.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING
(Meeting No. 8)

Thursday, November 6, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 8:55 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 701, La Promenade, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, M. Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Bob Kilger.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Dr. William Doubleday, Director General, Fisheries and Oceans Science Directorate; Jacque Robichaud, Director General, Resource Management Directorate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Science Branch.

Dr. Doubleday made an opening statement and answered questions.

On motion of Gary Lunn it was agreed, - That, the Committee invite the Minister to appear on Tuesday, November 18th on his Estimates.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That, Dr. Doubleday be invited to appear after the Committee has heard from the scientists who wish to appear.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Main estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998, votes 1, 5 and 10 under Fisheries and Oceans

APPEARING:

The Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

WITNESS:

Fisheries and Oceans:

Hon. Gilbert Norman, Secretary of State (Agriculture and Agrifood).

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(Meeting No. 9)

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, M. Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Carolyn Bennett for Paul Steckle and Charlie Power for Bill Matthews.

Other Member present: Honourable Gilbert Normand, Secretary of State (Agriculture and Agri-Food) and (Fish and Oceans).

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

Witness: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister, Cheryl Fraser, Administration Policy, Don Dickson, Director General, Finance and Administration.

Order of Reference from the House of Commons dated Wednesday, October 1st, 1997: Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998 - Votes 1, 5, and 10 under FISHERIES AND OCEANS.

Honourable David Anderson made an opening statement and answered questions.

Howard Hilstrom moved, - That Ron Fewchuk, President of the Fresh Water Marketing Board be invited to appear before the Committee on Thursday, November 20, 1997 or earliest opportunity.

By unanimous consent, the motion was allowed to stand.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed, - That ten Members of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans be authorized to extend their travel throughout Newfoundland from November 30 to December 2, 1997 and that the necessary staff do accompany the Members of the Committee.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - that the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel to the West Coast.

By unanimous consent, the Committee reverted to the stood motion of Howard Hilstrom after debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

At 5:40 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 10

Wednesday, November 26, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Main estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1998, votes 1, 5 and 10 under Fisheries and Oceans.

WITNESSES:

“Chambre de commerce de la Basse-Côte-Nord”:

Cliff Joncas.

Lower North Shore Fishermen's Association:

Marvin Buckle, Secretary;

Wesley Etheridge, Member;

John Evans, Treasurer;

Andrew Fequet, President;

Paul Nadeau, Director General;

Pierce Nadeau, Member.

Municipality of Bonne-Espérance:

Alexandre Dumas, Mayor.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING (Meeting No. 10)

Wednesday, November 26, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:20 o'clock p.m., this day, in Salle communautaire de Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Lower North Shore Fishermen Association: Paul Nadeau, Director General; Andrew Fequet, President; Marvin Buckle, Secretary; John Evans, Treasurer; Pierce Nadeau, Member; Hollis Lavallée, Member; Wesley Etheridge, Member; Clyde Bobbitt, Member; Marc Monger, Member; Riley Lavallée, Member; German Dumas, Member; Réjean Guillemette, Member; Winston Bobitt, Member; Henry Driscoll, Member; Willie-Dan Ransom and Lloyd Ransom.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlantic Provinces.

Paul Nadeau made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

Peter Stoffer moved,--That the Committee have a working dinner in Miramichi to discuss future business, the proposed trip to the West coast and informal discussions on what the Committee has heard on their trip to Atlantic Canada and to the Lower North Shore of Quebec.

Yvan Bernier moved,--That the Committee pay witness expenses for certain witnesses from the Lower North Shore Fishermen's Association who appeared before the Committee on Wednesday, November 26, 1997 in Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon.

At 3:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:50 o'clock p.m., this day, in Salle communautaire de Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From "Corporation de développement économique de la Basse Côte-Nord": Daniel Fequet, Director. From "Chambre de commerce de la Basse Côte-Nord": Cliff Joncas. From Bonne-Espérance Municipality: Lionel Roberts, Mayor and Alexandre Dumas.

Alexandre Dumas and Cliff Joncas made opening statements and answered questions.

Daniel Fequet and Alexandre Dumas made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 11

Thursday, November 27, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlantic Provinces

WITNESSES:

“Association des aides-pêcheurs des Îles-de-la-Madeleine”:

Richard Aucoin, President;

Langis Côté.

“Association des pêcheurs”:

Alain Marcoux, Assistant Director.

“Association des pêcheurs compétitifs des Îles”:

Jean-Charles Thériault.

“Association des pêcheurs de pétoncles des Îles-de-la-Madeleine”:

Gilles Vigneau, President;

Sylvain Vigneau, Coordinator.

“Association des pêcheurs de Tourelle”:

Jean-Louis Labrie, Representative.

“Association des pêcheurs-propriétaires des Îles-de-la-Madeleine” :

Mario Déraspe, President.

“Fédération des pêcheurs semi-hauturiers du Québec” :

Josée Richard, Administrative Assistant.

Forillon Group:

Marcel Donohue, Member;

Firmin Fortin.

Madelipêche Plant:

Jean-Paul Harvie, President, Steelworkers Union;

Gordon Ringuette, Steelworkers Union.

“Mouvement Solidarité Emploi” :

Emmanuel Desraspe, Coordinating Director;

Luc Parent, President.

Municipality of Grande-Entrée:

Donald Pealey, Mayor.

Norpro Fisheries Employees Committee:

Léon Jomphe;

Jean-Paul Vignault.

Pabok MRC:

Robert McInnis, Acting Reeve, and Mayor of Port Daniel.

“Parti québécois” (Magdalen Islands)” :

Maxime Arseneau, President.

Regional County Municipality of the Magdalen Islands:

Napoléon Cormier, Reeve;

Jeannot Gagnon.

“Regroupement des palangriers et pétoncliers uniques madelinots” :

Pierre Chevrier, President;

Ghislain Cyr.

“Regroupement des pêcheurs professionnels des Îles-de-la-Madeleine” :

Bruno Bourque, President.

Individual Presentation:

Lorraine Blanchard.

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(Meeting No. 11)

Thursday, November 27, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:30 o'clock a.m., this day, in the City Hall, Iles-de-la-Madeleine, the Acting Chair, Yvan Bernier, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From "Association des pêcheurs compétitifs des îles": Jean-Charles Thériault. From "Fédération des pêcheurs semi-hauturiers du Québec": Josée Richard and Bruno Bourque. From "Regroupement des pêcheurs professionnels": Mario Deraspe and Jeremi Cyr. From "Association des pêcheurs de pétoncles": Sylvain Vigneau, Coordinator and Gilles Vigneau, President. From "Association des côtiers": Firmin Fortin, Alain Marcoux, Assistant Director and Mario Deraspe, President. As individuals: Robert McInnis, Mayor of Port Daniel; Jean-Louis Labrie, Fishermen of Tourelle and Lorraine Blanchard.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlantic Provinces.

Bruno Bourque made an opening statement and answered questions.

Lorraine Blanchard made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ghislain Cyr made an opening statement and answered questions.

Jean Charles Thériault made an opening statement and answered questions.

Sylvain Vigneau made an opening statement and answered questions.

Mario Deraspe made an opening statement and answered questions.

Firmin Fortin made an opening statement and answered questions.

Gilles Vigneau and Marcel Donohue made opening statements and certain witnesses answered questions.

At 12:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in the City Hall, Iles-de-la-Madeleine, the Acting Chair, Yvan Bernier, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From "Municipalité régionale de comté": From "Collège de Gaspésie": Maxime Arsenault. Napoléon Cormier. From "Mouvement solidarité emploi": Emanuel Desraspe, Director Coordinator and Luc Parent, President. From "Municipalité de Grand-entré": Donald Pealey, Mayor. From "Comité des employés des pêcheries Norpro": Jean-Paul Vignault and Léon Jomphe. From "Syndicat des Matelots": Jean-Paul Harvie, President and Gordon Ringuette, Unionist. From "Regroupement des palangriers et pétoncliers uniques Madelinots": Pierre Chevrier and Ghislain Cyr.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlantic Provinces.

Napoléon Cormier made an opening statement and answered questions.

Maxime Arseneault made an opening statement and answered questions.

Emanuel Desraspe made an opening statement and answered questions.

Donald Pealey made an opening statement.

Jean-Paul Vignault made an opening statement and answered questions.

Léon Jomphe answered questions.

Gordon Ringuette made an opening statement and answered questions.

Jean-Paul Harvie made an opening statement and answered questions.

Langis Côté made an opening statement and answered questions.

Richard Aucoin made opening statement and answered questions.

Pierre Chevrier made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ghislain Cyr made an opening statement and answered questions.

On motion of Yvan Bernier, it was agreed, -That reasonable witness expenses be paid to the witnesses from the Gaspé Coast who appeared before the Committee on Thursday, November 27, 1997.

At 4:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 12

Friday, November 28, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlantic Provinces

WITNESSES:

Acadian Regional Federation of Professional Fishermen:

Renald Guignard, President;

Robert Haché.

"Association des pêcheurs de poisson de fond acadiens":

Alyre Gauvin, President.

Blue Cove Group:

Eric Smith.

Conservation Council of New Brunswick:

Inka Milewski, President.

Maritime Fishermen's Union:

Michael Belliveau, Executive Secretary;

Zoël Breau, Secretary Treasurer;

Réginald Comeau;

Frank McLaughlin, President.

Miramichi Watershed Management Committee Inc.:

Alex Mills, Secretary;

Bruce Whipple, Director.

Municipality of Neguac:

Cleo Sonier, Mayor.

New Brunswick Salmon Council:

Wesley Myles, Past President.

Individual Presentation:

Raymond Lebouthiller;

Emilien Lebreton;

Clément Savoie;

Alvin Scott.

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Friday, November 28, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 10:20 o'clock a.m., this day, in Legion Hall, New-Brunswick, the President, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn and Bill Matthews.

Other Member present: Yvon Godin.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From the Maritime Fishermen's Union: Michael Beliveau, Zoel Breau, Frank McLaughlin, Cormier and Reginald Comeau. From the Miramichi Watershed Management Committee Inc.: Alex M Whipple, Manley Price and Grant Ross.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlanti Provinces.

Michael Beliveau made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 11:55 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:00 o'clock noon, the sitting resumed.

Alex Mills made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 1:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:07 o'clock p.m., this day, in Legion Hall, N New-Brunswick, the President, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn and Bill Matthews.

Other Member present: Yvon Godin.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From "Fédération régionale acadienne des pêcheurs et processeurs": Robert Haché, Ronald President and Jean St-Cyr, Member. From the New-Brunswick Salmon Council: Wesley Myles. From Acadian Groundfish Fisherman's Association Inc.: Alyre Gauvin, President. From "Crabiers Nord-Est" Gauvin. As an Individual: Alvin Scott and Emilien Lebreton. From Blue Grove Group: Eric Smith. Fro Conservation Council of New Brunswick: Inka Milewski.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee considered the Fisheries Management in the Atlanti Provinces.

Robert Haché made an opening statement and with Ronald Guirand answered questions.

Alyre Gauvin made an opening statement and answered questions.

Jean Gauvin made an opening statement and answered questions.

Alvin Scott made an opening statement and answered questions.

Inka Milewski made an opening statements and answered questions.

Wesley Myles made an opening statement and answered questions.

Emilien LeBreton made an opening statement and with Raymond Lebouthiller answered questions.

Clément Savoie made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 6:55 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 13

Thursday, December 4, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the role of sciences in fisheries management

WITNESSES:

Dalhousie University:

Jeffrey Hutchings, Professeur of Fish Biology.

Université Memorial:

Dick Haedrich, Professor of Biology.

University of British Columbia:

Carl Walters, Professor of Fisheries and Zoology.

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(Meeting No. 13)

Thursday, December 4, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:35 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 253-D, C Block, in a Televised Videoteleconference, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, La O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Gary Lunn, Yvan Bernier, Peter Stoffer and Bill Matthews

Acting Members present: Howard Hilstrom for Reed Elley.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon Officers.

Witnesses: From the University of Dalhousie: Dr. Jeffrey A. Hutchings, Professor of Fish Biology.

Videoteleconference from Vancouver, B.C.: From University of British Columbia: Dr. Carl J. Walte Professor of Fisheries and Zoology. From the Memorial University: Dr. Richard Haedrich, Professor o

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), a review of the role of sciences in fisheries management.

Dr. Jeffrey Hutchings, Dr. Carl J. Walters and Dr. Richard Haedrich made an opening statements and a questions.

At 11:06 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, December 9, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the role of sciences in fisheries management

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Steve Campana, Research Scientist, Bedford Institute of Oceanography;

Ghislain Chouinard, Head, Southern Gulf of St. Lawrence Section, Marine Fish Division,
Gulf Fisheries Centre;

Paul Fanning, Biologist, Bedford Institute of Oceanography.

Dalhousie University:

Ransom Myers, Chair of Oceans Studies.

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(Meeting No. 14)

Tuesday, December 9, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:37 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 253-D, C Block, in a *Televised Videoteleconference*, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Wayne Easter, John Duncan, Howard Hilstrom, Ch Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau and Paul Steck

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon Officers.

Witnesses: Videoteleconference from Halifax, N.S.: Dr. Ransom Myers, Chair of Ocean Studies, Dalh University; Dr. Steve Campana, Research Scientist, Bedford Institute of Oceanography; Paul Fanning, Bedford Institute of Oceanography; Ghislain Chouinard, Head, Southern Gulf of St. Lawrence Section Fish Division, Gulf Fisheries Centre.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), a review of the role of sciences in fisheries management.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That the Committee approve the proposed operational bud \$60,000.00 for the period from November 22, 1997 to February 28, 1998 and the travel budget to the W from January 18, 1998 to January 27, 1998 in the amount of \$147,383.00

On motion of Bill Mathews, it was agreed, - That the Committee approve, the expenses incurred for the lunches and dinners during the Committee travel throughout Atlantic Canada.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, - That the Committee authorize the Chair, in consultation wi Clerk, to take the necessary arrangements to provide for working lunches and dinners, from time to tim cost of these, be charged to the appropriate budget.

Dr. Ransom Myers made an opening statement and answered questions.

Dr. Steve Campana, Paul Fanning and Ghislain Chouinard all made opening statements and answered q

Peter Stoffer moved, - That the Chair be authorized to write the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans reque the Federal government stop the additional financial cuts to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans fo and 1998-99.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed, - That debate be now adjourned.

At 11:20 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 15

Thursday, December 11, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Fisheries management in the Atlantic provinces

WITNESSES:

Individual Presentation:

Joe Papp.

Prince Edward Island Fisherman's Association Ltd.:

Roy Drake;

Rory McLellan, Managing Director;

Mervyn Misener, Representative.

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(Meeting No. 15)

Thursday, December 11, 1997

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:40 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 253-D, C Block, in a *Televised conference*, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Joh Charles Hubbard, Gary Lunn and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon Officers.

Witnesses: As an individual: Joe Papp, Scallop fisherman. *From the P.E.I. Fishermen's Association Ltd* Misener and Rory McLellan.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Fisheries management in the Atlantic provinces.

Joe Papp made an opening statement and answered questions.

Mervyn Misener made opening statements and with the other witness, answered questions.

At 11:02 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 16

Monday, January 19, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of west coast fisheries

WITNESSES:

British Columbia Deep Sea Fishermen's Guild:

Peter Haugan, President.

B.C. Deep Sea Fishermen's Union:

Bruce Hansen.

Commercial Fishermen:

John Disney;

Ron McVeigh.

Community Fisheries Development Centre:

Arnie Nagy, Board Member;

Tasha Sutcliffe, Program Coordinator.

Individual Presentations:

Rusty Doane;

Dana Doerksen;

Odd Eidsvik;
Paddy Greene;
Fred Hawkshaw;
Jennie Henderson;
Gary Krause;
Doug Mavin;
Des Nobles;
Leonard Reece;
Roman Reschke;
Jack Rowbotham;
Joy Thorkelson;
Albert White.

Masset, British Columbia:

Dave Penna, Mayor.

Native Brotherhood of British Columbia:

Heber Clifton, Secretary Treasurer, Prince Rupert Local.

Northcoast Shellfish and Mariculture Association:

Garfield Esmonde, Board Member.

Northern Trollers Association:

David Prosser, President.

Northwest Maritime Institute:

George Hayes.

Prince Rupert, British Columbia:

Jack Mussallem, Mayor.

Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce:

Allan Sheppard.

Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District:

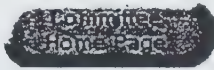
Bill Beldessi, Regional Board Director.

Tsimshian Tribal Council:

Robert H. Hill, President.

United Food and Commercial Workers Union:

Evelyn Mueller.



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(Meeting No. 16)

Monday, January 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 o'clock a.m., this day, in the Crest Hotel, Prince Rupert, British Columbia, the Vice-Chair, Gary Lunn, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mike Scott.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Municipality of Prince Rupert: Jack Mussallem, Prince Rupert. *From the Municipality of Massett:* Dave Penna, Mayor. *As Individuals:* Paddy Greene, Fisherman; Des Nobles, Gillnetter; Fred Hawkshaw, John Disney; and Peter Logan.. *From Northern Trollers:* David Prosser and Dana Doerksen. *From the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce:* Allan Sheppard. *From United Food and Commercial Workers:* Evelyn Mueller. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre:* Tasha Sutcliffe, Member; Arnie Nagy, Board Member.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of the West Coast Fisheries.

The witnesses made opening statements.

Des Nobles and Fred Hawkshaw each made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:49 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:00 a.m., the sitting resumed.

The witnesses made opening statements.

At 12:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:25 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Crest Hotel, Prince Rupert, British Columbia, the Vice-Chair, Gary Lunn, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mike Scott.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery and Alan Nixon, Research Officers.

Witnesses: As an Individual: Jennie Henderson. *From B.C. Deep Sea Fishermen's Union:* Bruce Hansen. *From the North Coast Shellfish and Mariculture Association:* Garfield Esmonde; Board member. *As Individuals:* Albert White and Ron McVeigh, *From the Tsimshian Tribal Council:* Bob Hill, President. *As an Individual:* Rusty Doane. *From the Native Brotherhood of B.C.:* Heber Clifton, Secretary Treasurer. *As Individuals:* Jack Rowbothan and Doug Mavin. *From the Northwest Maritime Institute:* George Hayes. Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of the West Coast Fisheries.

The witnesses made opening statements and certain witnesses, answered questions.

At 4:50 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, January 20, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of west coast fisheries

APPEARING:

Government of British Columbia:

Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans;

Honourable Corky Evans, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

WITNESSES:

Area E Gillnetters Association:

Richard Normura, President.

B.C. Aboriginal Fisheries Commission:

Fred Fortier, Chair.

B.C. Vessel Owners Association:

Bob Rezansoff, President.

Campbell River Indian Band:

John Henderson, Chief.

Canadian Fisheries Development Centre:

Peter Sainas, Employment Counsellor.

Canadian Ocean Frontiers Research Initiative:

John Maden.

Coalition of Concerned Fishermen:

John Murray.

Coastal Community Conservation Society, Steveston Branch:

Terry Slack, Director.

Community Fisheries Development Centre:

Serge Cartier;

Jose Galang;

Brenda Kuecks.

Community Fisheries Development Centre-Richmond:

Diane Gordon.

Community Fisheries Development Centre-Surrey:

Ross Watzel, Program Manager.

David Ellis and Associates Ltd.:

David Ellis, President.

David Suzuki Foundation:

Jim Fulton.

Deep Sea Trawlers Association:

Chris Day, Executive Director.

Fisheries Council of British Columbia:

Mike Hunter, President.

Forest Alliance of British Columbia:

Patrick Moore, Director.

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:

John Van Dongen, Opposition Fisheries Critic.

Native Brotherhood of British Columbia:

Jim White.

Pacific Gillnetters Association:

Mike Forrest, Director.

Pacific Trollers Association:

Stan Watterson, President.

Salmon for Canada Defence Committee:

Mike Emes;

John Stevens.

Speak for the Salmon:

Mary Sue Atkinson.

Sts' Wan Society:

Guy Dunston.

T. Buck Suzuki Foundation:

Mae Burrows, Executive Director.

Underwater Harvesters Association:

Andrew Milne, Past President.

United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union:

John Radosevic, President;

Homer Stevens, Past President.

West Coast Trollers:

Kathie Scarfo, President.

Wild Fish First Society:

Charles H. McKee.

Individual Presentation:

Phil Eidsvik;

Richard Gray;

Gordon Kibble;

Robert Kreutziger;

Jim Nightingale;

Harold Steves;

Philip Tate;

Pat Young.

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Tuesday, January 20, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 2:15 o'clock p.m., this day, in the Steveston United Church Hall, Vancouver, British Columbia, the Vice-Chair, Gary Lunn, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Other Members present: John Cummins, Libby Davies, Svend Robinson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Appearing: The Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, Federal Government of Canada; The Honourable Corky Evans, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Provincial Government of British Columbia.

Witnesses: From the Provincial Government of British Columbia: John Van Dongen, Opposition Fisheries Critic. *From the Fisheries Council of British Columbia:* Mike Hunter, President. *From the Vessell Owners Association:* Bob Rezansoff, President. *From the House of Commons:* John Cummins, M.P. *From the Underwater Harvesters Association:* Andrew Milne. *From T Buck Suzuki Foundation:* Mae Burrows, Executive Director. *From the West Coast Trollers:* Kathie Scarfo, President. *From the Pacific Trollers Association:* Stan Waterson, President. *From the Aboriginal Fishers Commission:* Dave Moore. *From the Deep Sea Trawlers Association:* Chris Day, Executive Director. *From the Campbell River Indian Band:* John Henderson, Chief. *From Area E Gillnetters Association:* Richard Normura, President. *From David W. Ellis and Associates Ltd., Fisheries and Planning Research :* David W. Ellis, President. *From the Pacific Gillnetters Association:* Mike Forrest, Director. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre:* Brenda Kuecks. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre - Surrey:* Ross Wetzel. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre - Richmond:* Diane Gordon. *From the Community Fisheries Development Centre - Vancouver:* Jose Galang. *From the United Fisherman and Allied Workers Union:* John Radosevic and Peter Sarnas,

Councillor. *From Salmon for Canada:* Mike Emes. *From Salmon for Canada:* Jim Stevens. *From David Suzuki Foundation:* Jim Fulton. *From the Sts'Wan Society:* Guy Dunston. *From the Forest Alliance of British Columbia:* Dr. Patrick Moore, Director. *From Speak for the Salmon:* Mary-Sue Atkinson. *From the Wild Fish First Society:* Charles H. McKee. *From the Coastal Community Conservation Society, Steveston Branch:* Terry Slack, Director. *From the Canadian Ocean Frontiers Research Initiative:* John Madden, Chairman. *As individuals:* Jim Nightingale and Tim White. *From Pacific Gillnetters Association - Area C:* John Murray. *As individuals:* Phil Eidsvik, Serge Cartier, Richard Gray, John Stevens, Phil Tait, Harold Steves, Homer Stevens, Pat Young, Gordon Kibble and Robert Kreutzign.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of the West Coast Fisheries.

The witnesses made opening statements and certain witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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(Meeting No. 18)

Tuesday, February 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:45 a.m. o'clock a.m., this day, in 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer. *B conference call:* Yvon Bernier.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be empowered to write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans on behalf of the Committee, after consultation with John Duncan and Wayne Easter, concerning several matters raised on the trip to the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be empowered to write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans thanking him for his cooperation in allocating 5,000 tonne quota of Argentine in Zone 3Ps on the South Coast of Newfoundland.

It was agreed, - That, the Chair of the Committee be empowered to seek legal advice to subpoena Canadian fisheries observer reports regarding foreign trawlers fishing in Canadian waters.

It was agreed, - That the Committee invite Earl Wiseman, the Secretary General of the North West Atlantic Fisheries Organization and an individual observer on a boat.

It was agreed, - That the Committee invite Eugene Harrigan to appear in front of the Committee.

It was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to meet off Parliament Hill from Friday, February 20th to the 22nd for the consideration of drafting a report on the trip to the West Coast and that the necessary staff do accompany the Committee and that necessary services and working meals be arranged. The Clerk, the expenses to be borne by the Committee from its operational budget.

It was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel to the Territories, Manitoba, Labrador and other sites to be determined from April 19th to May 2, 1998 and that the necessary staff do accompany the Committee.

At 11:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 19

Thursday, February 5, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee continued its review of the role of sciences in fisheries management.

WITNESSES:

Fisheries Forum:

Gus Etchegary;

Edward Sandeman.

Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada:

Steven Hindle, President.

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(Meeting No. 19)

Thursday, February 5, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:35 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, West Block, Parliament Hill, Ottawa, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Chas. Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Stoffer.

Other Member present: Rene Canuel for Yvan Bernier.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From Fisheries Forum: Gus Etchegary; Edward Sandeman. *From the Professional Institute of the Fisheries and Aquaculture Sector:* Steve Hindle, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its review of the role of sciences in fisheries management.

Gus Etchegary and Edward Sandeman made opening statements and answered questions.

Steve Hindle made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:05 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 20

Tuesday, February 10, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 8:45 'clock a.m., this day, in Room Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of a Draft Report on Management in the Atlantic provinces.

At 12:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 3:45 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien and Paul Steckle.

Other Members present:

Acting Member present: Réginald Bélair for Lawrence O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its consideration of the Draft Report on Management in the Atlantic provinces.

At 10:15 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 22

Thursday, February 12, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee continued its review of the role of sciences in fisheries management.

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection;

Ben Whelan, Offshore Surveillance Officer, Conservation and Protection;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization:

Dr. Leonard I. Chepel, Executive Secretary.

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Thursday, February 12, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:30 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, West Block, Parliament Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Gauthier, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews and Carmen Provenzano

Other Members present:

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Earl Wiseman, Director General, International and Fisheries Management; David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection; Ben Whelan, Offshore Surveillance Officer, Conservation and Protection. *From the North West Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO):* Dr. Leonard I. Chepel, Executive Secretary.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to the consideration of Fisheries Management. Earl Wiseman, Dr. Leonard I. Chepel, David Bevan and Ben Whelan made opening statements.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:20 o'clock a.m., the sitting resumed.

The witnesses answered questions.

At 12:58 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:17 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Na Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its consideration of the Draft Report on Management in the Atlantic provinces.

At 11:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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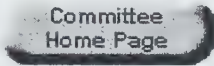
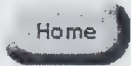
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Tuesday, February 17, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charle Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffe

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Lynne Myers, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its consideration of the Draft Report on Management in the Atlantic provinces.

At 5:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Wednesday, February 18, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Other Members present:

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Lynne Myers, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management in the Atlantic provinces.

It was agreed, - That the Committee authorize the Chair to enter into a contract on behalf of the Committee, to hire an editor to work on the Report of the Committee on the East coast trip, and that cost does not exceed \$1,500.00.

At 6:45 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Order in Council appointment of Associate Deputy Minister Larry Murray.

APPEARING:

Hon. David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

WITNESS:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Larry Murray, Associate Deputy Minister

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Thursday, February 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Lynne Myers, Research Officer.

Appearing: The Honourable David Anderson, Minister, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada : Larry Murray, Associate Deputy Minister.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, the Committee proceeded to consider the Order in Council appointment of Associate Deputy Minister Larry Murray.

The Minister and Larry Murray made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:24 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ROGER PRÉFONTAINE
Committee Clerk

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Monday, February 23, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 3:45 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management in the Atlantic provinces as well as of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to seek adequate funds from the Sub-Committee on liaison for the printing of both reports of the Committee.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to make such grammatical and editorial changes to the report as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

At 6:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ROGER PRÉFONTAINE
Committee Clerk

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WEDNESDAY

~~Monday~~, February 25, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the resumed consideration of the Draft Interim Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel from April 26 to May 9, 1998 to the following places: Manitoba, Ontario, Northwest Territories, Labrador and Prince Edward Island.

It was agreed, - That the Committee finalize the report on the East Coast trip no later than March 10, 1998.

At 6:55 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:40 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer,

Acting Members present: Gerald Keddy for Bill Matthews.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management in the Atlantic provinces.

It was moved, - That no further changes be made to the East Coast Report except for grammatical and translation.

Debate arising thereon.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the sitting resumed.

Resuming debate on the above motion, after debate thereon the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

It was agreed, - That the Committee authorize the printing of dissenting opinions as appendices to the report, immediately after the signature of the Chair and that such opinions not exceed two (2) pages and be submitted to the Chair no later than 4:00 o'clock p.m. on the Wednesday, March 11, 1998.

It was agreed, - That the Interim draft Report of the Committee on its East Coast trip be adopted as the Committee's First Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the Report be "The East Coast Report".

It was agreed, - That the Committee Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy and that the Committee print an additional 10,000 copies of its Report "The East Coast Report".

It was agreed, - That the Committee authorize the Chair to enter into a contract on behalf of the committee, to hire an editor to work on the West Coast Reports

It was agreed, - That the Committee approve the proposed budget for the travel from April 26 to May 9, 1998 and that the Chair be authorized to present the said budget to the sub-committee on Liaison.

It was agreed, - That pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

At 11:40 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:53 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 11:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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~~WEDNESDAY~~~~TUESDAY~~, MARCH 18, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 3:43 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Keretak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 5:33 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:45 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That the Interim draft Report of the Committee on its West Coast Trip be adopted as the Committee's Second Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the Report be "The West Coast Report".

It was agreed, - That the Committee Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy and that the Committee print an additional 1,000 copies of its Report.

It was agreed, - That the Committee invite officials from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to appear before the Committee to give testimony on the observer reports which were reported on throughout East Coast during the week of March 16, 1998.

At 11:40 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 33

Wednesday, March 25, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Observer reports

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 4:36 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management; David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Observer reports.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 6:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 34

Thursday, March 26, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of Central Canada and the East Coast Fisheries issues

WITNESSES:

Fogo Island Co-operative Society Ltd.:

Cecil Godwin, President of the Board;

Hugh St. Croix, General Manager.

North West Co-operative Fisheries Ltd.:

Rick Hay, General Manager.

As Individuals:

Karen Olson;

Kim Sigurdson.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 9:21 o'clock a.m., this day, in a televised session, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Eric Lowther for Howard Hilstrom, Roy Bailey for Gary Lunn and Guy St-Julien for Lawrence O'Brien.

Other Members present: Gordon Earle and Howard Hilstrom.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: As Individuals: Ms. Karen Olson, Commercial Fisherman (Lake Winnipeg); Kim Sigurdson, Marketers of Fish and Sea Food Products. From North West Co-operative Fisheries Ltd: Mr. Rick Hay, General Manager. From Fogo Island Co-Operative Society Ltd.: Cecil Godwin, President of the Board; Hugh St. Croix, General Manager.

1) Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to consider Central Canada Fisheries issues.

Karen Olson, Kim Sigurdson and Rick Hay made opening statements and answered questions.

2) Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to consider East Coast Fisheries issues.

Cecil Godwin and Hugh St. Croix from Fogo Island Co-Operative Society Ltd. made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed, - That the Chair write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans on behalf of the Committee requestong the Minister to consider the request by the Fogo Island Co-Operative Society Ltd. for an offshore shrimp allocation of 3,000 tonnes if the Department of Fisheries and Oceans does increase the quotas.

At 12:10 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:16 p.m., the sitting resumed.

3) By unanimous consent, the Committee met in camera in order to resume consideration of the West Coast Report.

At 1:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
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ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Committee proceeded to consider the subject matter of multilateral agreement on investment

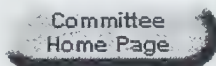
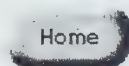
WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Marshall Moffat, Director, Economic Analysis Policy.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

John Gero, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau II, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property.



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(Meeting No. 35)

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:40 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306, WB, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: John Gero, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau II, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property; from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Marshall Moffat, Director, Economic Analysis Policy

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to consider the subject matter of multi lateral agreement on investment.

John Gero and Marshall Moffat both made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed, - That the budget of \$30,000 for the period from April 1, 1998 to June 30, 1998 be approved, and that the Chair be authorized to present the said budget to the Liaison Committee.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed, - That the Second Report entitled "The West Coast Report" be adopted as amended.

At 5:23 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 36

Thursday, April 2, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of Fisheries Issues on the West Coast

WITNESSES:

Area G. Troll Fishery Association:

Wilf Caron, Vice-President.

Coastal Communities Network:

Russ Helberg, Chair, Mayor of Port Hardy.

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Mike Henderson, Director, Fisheries Research Branch.

Native Brotherhood of B.C.:

Christine Hunt, First Vice-President.

T. Buck Suzuki Environmental Foundation:

Mae Burrows, Executive Director.

United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union (CAW):

John Radosevic;

John Stevens, Vice-President.

United Food and Allied Workers Union (CAW):

John Sutcliffe, Organizer.

West Coast Sustainability Association:

John Young.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a Videoteleconference at 3:46 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer who was present by Videteleconference in Vancouver.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Other Member present: Paul DeVillers for Gar Knutson.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Mike Henderson, Director, Fisheries Research Branch. From the West Coast Sustainability Association: John Young. From the Coastal Communities Network: Russ Helberg, Chair & Mayor of Port Hardy. From the Native Brotherhood of B.C.: Christine Hunt, First Vice-President. From United Food and Allied Workers Union (CAW): John Radosevic, President; John Sutcliffe. From the Area G. Trollers Association: Wilf Caron, Director. From United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union: John Stevens. From T. Buck Suzuki Environmental Foundation: Mae Burrows, Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Fisheries Issues on the West Coast.

In Ottawa:

John Young made an opening statement and answered questions.

Russ Helberg made an opening statement and answered questions.

Christine Hune made an opening statement and answered questions.

John Radosevic made an opening statement and answered questions.

Wilf Caron made an opening statement and answered questions.

In Vancouver:

Mae Burrows made an opening statement and answered questions.

John Sutcliffe made an opening statement and answered questions.

John Stevens made an opening statement and answered questions.

In Ottawa:

Mike Henderson made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:45 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 37

Wednesday, May 13, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Fisheries Issues on the West Coast

WITNESSES:

British Columbia Shellfish Growers Association:

Judith Reid, Vice-President;

Ruth Salmon, Executive Director.

Deep Sea Trawlers Association of British Columbia:

Chris Day, Executive Director.

Pacific Packers Association:

Bob Carpenter.

Shellfish Depurator Association:

Ed Helgeson, Processor.

Unique Seafood:

Ken Mast.

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The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met by Videoteleconference at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Garry Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Other Member present:

Witnesses: From British Columbia Shellfish Aquaculture: Ruth Salmon and Judith Reid. *From Unique Seafood:* Ken Mast. *From Shellfish Depurator:* Ed Helgeson, Processor. *From the Deep Sea Trawlers Association of B.C.:* Chris Day, Executive Director. *From Pacific Packers Association:* Bob Carpenter, Tendermen.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Fisheries Issues on the West Coast.

In Victoria:

Judith Reid made an opening statement and answered questions.

Bob Carpenter made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ken Mast made an opening statement and answered questions.

Chris Day made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ruth Salmon made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ed Helgeson made an opening statement and answered questions.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, -- That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans strongly urge the Government of Canada, through the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, to fund the Canadian portion of the Sea Lamprey Control Program from the Department's "A" Base. The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans further recommends that the Government of Canada, through the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, commits to provide a long term minimum funding guarantee of \$8 million Canadian dollars per year, to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission for the purpose of Sea Lamprey Control.

On motion of Howard Hilstrom, it was agreed, That the Fisheries and Oceans Committee request that the federal government put on hold any decision to downgrade the Manitoba Coast Guard base in Selkirk, and that this committee call witnesses to examine the base and to make recommendations.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, That the Committee write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans to

urge him to issue an immediate moratorium on issuance of further "D" licenses.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 38

Tuesday, May 26, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Fisheries Issues

WITNESSES:

Coalition of Community Groups:

Ron Langdon;

Bruce Osmond.

Conservation Council of New Brunswick:

Inka Milewski, President.

Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick:

Denis Landry, Member for Centre-Péninsule.

Northumberland Country Woodlot:

Jean-Guy Comeau, Owner.

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Tuesday, May 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met by Videoteleconference at 9:12 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From Coalition Community Group: Bruce Osmond and Ron Langdon. *From Conservation Council of New Brunswick:* Inka Milewski. *From Northumberland County Woodlot:* Jean-Guy Comeau, Owner. *From the Legislative Assembly of New-Brunswick:* Denis Landry, Members.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Fisheries Issues.

In Miramichi, New Brunswick:

Inka Milewski, Jean-Guy Comeau and Denis Landry made opening statements and answered questions.

In Ottawa:

Ron Langdon and Bruce Osmond made opening statements and answered questions.

John Duncan moved, - That due to the fact the Committee did not receive the production of unexpurgated versions of the Observer Reports, although the Committee had requested these of the Ministry, this matter be reported to the House and that the House issue an order directing the Reports be produced in their entirety within 30 days.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, -- That the said motion be dealt with at the next meeting.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That this Committee write a letter in a response to the United States Senators who wrote a letter to Brian Tobin on March 31, 1998, regarding the seal hunt, and that the response letter should state that these United States Senators should leave the domestic affairs of Canada to Canadians.

Peter Stoffer moved, - That the Chair write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans on behalf of the Committee urging the Minister to reconsider the allocation of the additional northern shrimp allocations.

And debate arose thereon.

At 11:11 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Pierre Rodrigue
Committee Clerk

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Chairman: George S. Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 39

Wednesday, May 27, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Debate on the motion of John Duncan

Consideration of the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999

APPEARING:

The Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

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(Meeting No.39)

Wednesday, May 27, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Other Member present: Derek Lee for Sophia Leung, Roy Bailey for John Duncan and René Canuel for Yves Rocheleau

Appearing: The Hon. David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Witnesses: *From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada:* Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; Scott Parsons, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science; Jacque Robichaud, Director General, Resource Management, Fisheries Management and Carol Beal, acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services.

The Committee resumed debate on the motion of John Duncan, -- That due to the fact the Committee did not receive the production of unexpurgated versions of the Observer Reports, although the Committee had requested these of the Ministry, this matter be reported to the House and that the House issue and order directing the Reports be produced in their entirety within 30 days.

And debate continuing.

The Order of Reference dated Thursday, February 26, 1998, relating to the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999, being read as follows:

Ordered, - That Votes 1, 5 and 10, under FISHERIES AND OCEANS, be referred to the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans.

The Chair called vote 1 under FISHERIES AND OCEANS.

The Minister made a statement and answered questions.

Debate was resumed on motion of John Duncan -- That due to the fact the Committee did not receive the production of unexpurgated versions of the Observer Reports, although the Committee had requested these of the Ministry, this matter be reported to the House and that the House issue and order directing the Reports be produced in their entirety within 30 days.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, -- That the motion be amended by replacing the word "unexpurgated" by "unedited".

The question being put on the motion, it was, by a show of hands, agreed to:

YEAS: 8; NAYS: 3.

At 5:26 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

PIERRE RODRIGUE
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 40

Thursday, May 28, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Nadia Bouffard, Senior Counsel, Bilateral Relations Division;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

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(Meeting No.40)

Thursday, May 28, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:22 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management and Nadia Bouffard, Legal Counsel. *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Robert Rochon, Director General and Deputy Legal Advisor, Legal Affairs Bureau; Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

The Order of Reference dated Tuesday, May 5, 1998, being read as follows:

Ordered, - That Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements., be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans.

The Chair called Clause 1.

The Parliamentary Secretary made a statement and, with other witnesses, answered questions.

At 9:58, Nancy Karetak-Lindell took the Chair.

At 10:24, the Chair, George Baker, took the Chair.

At 11:01 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

PIERRE RODRIGUE
Committee Clerk

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(Meeting No.41)

Tuesday, June 2, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:15 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

By unanimous consent, the committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, -- That the Clerk be instructed to provide further detail at the next meeting of the Committee concerning a proposed trip to study reorganisation of Fisheries Departments in foreign countries.

It was agreed, -- That the Committee requested a departmental official to appear before the Committee to discuss the West Coast Hake allocation.

It was agreed, -- That the Clerk be instructed to invite the witnesses proposed by Members concerning the committee's study of Bill C-27 to appear on Thursday, June 4 and Tuesday, June 9, 1998.

The committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on the Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ERIC JANSE

Committee Clerk

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(Meeting No.42)

Wednesday, June 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 3:48 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 18:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ERIC JANSE
Committee Clerk

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(Meeting No.43)

Thursday, June 4, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:25 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536 Wellington Bldg, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ERIC JANSE
Committee Clerk

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Chairman: George Baker, Lib.

Meeting No. 44

Thursday, June 4, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements

WITNESSES:

Fisheries Council of Canada:

Patrick McGuinness, Vice-President.

As Individual:

Clyde Sanger.

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(Meeting No.44)

Thursday, June 4, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:45 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Stan Keyes for Lawrence O'Brien, René Canuel for Yves Rocheleau and Bill Casey for Bill Mathews.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witnesses: As individuals: Clyde Sanger. *From Fisheries Council of Canada:* Patrick McGuinness, Vice-President.

The Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements.

Clyde Sanger made a statement and answered questions.

Garry Lunn moved, -- That the Committee subpoena Premier Brian Tobin to appear before the Committee.

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

NAYS

Wayne Easter Gar Knutson

Charles Hubbard Sophia Leung

Nancy Karetak-Lindell Carmen Provenzano

Stan Keyes Paul Steckle (8)

YEAS

Yvan Bernier Howard Hilstrom

René Canuel Gary Lunn

Bill Casey Peter Stoffer

John Duncan (7)

Patrick McGuinness made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:00 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

ERIC JANSE
Committee Clerk

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(Meeting No.45)

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 9:05 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 536 Wellington Bldg, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Julian Reed for Nancy Karetak-Lindell and Murray Colder for Lawrence O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on fisheries Management on the West Coast.

At 11:00 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
Clerk of the Committee

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(Meeting No.46)

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 15:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536 Wellington Bldg, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Sophia Leung, Garry Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on fisheries Management on the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That the Draft Report of the Committee on its West Coast trip be adopted as the Committee's Fourth Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the Report be "The West Coast Report".

It was agreed, - That the Committee Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy and that the Committee print an additional

1, 500 copies of its Report "The West Coast Report".

It was agreed, - That pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

It was agreed, - That the Chairman, researchers and clerk be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

At 6:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
Clerk of the Committee

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(Meeting No.47)

Wednesday, June 10, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera at 15:35 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 536 Wellington Bldg, the Chair, George Baker, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: George Baker, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Howard Hilstrom, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Garry Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Manitoba and the Great Lakes fisheries issue.

It was agreed, - That the Draft Report of the Committee on its Manitoba and Great Lakes trip be adopted as the Committee's Fifth Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the Report be "Central Canada's freshwater fisheries".

It was agreed, - That the Committee Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy and that the Committee print an additional

1, 500 copies of its Report "Central Canada's freshwater fisheries".

It was agreed, - That pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

It was agreed, - That the Chairman, researcher and clerk be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

It was agreed, - That the Committee approve the proposed travel budget of \$ 83,004.14 for the period from September 7 to 19, 1998, and that the Chair be authorized to present the said budget to the Liaison Committee.

It was agreed, - That, in relation to its study on recommended changes to the management of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans based on scientific and management changes in other countries, the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans seek an Order of Reference from the House authorizing ten Members to travel to Reykjavik, Iceland, Madrid, Spain and Lisbon, Portugal from September 7 to 19, 1998, and that the necessary staff do accompany the Members of the Committee.

At 6:25 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

BILL FARRELL
Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 48

Tuesday, October 6, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs

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Meeting No. 48

Tuesday, October 6, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair and two Vice-Chair, pursuant to Standing Orders 106(1) and (2).

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Keith Martin, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Sarmite Bulte for Joe Comuzzi; Bernard Patry for Paul Steckle; Rey Pagtakhan for Lawrence O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(1), election of the Chair.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of the Chair.

Lou Sekora moved, - That Charles Hubbard be elected Chair of the Committee. It was agreed, by a show of hands: Yeas:15, Nays: 1

Accordingly, Charles Hubbard was declared duly elected Chair of the Committee and took the Chair.

On motion of Lou Sekora, it was agreed, - That Carmen Provenzano be elected government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Gary Lunn, it was agreed, - That John Cummins be elected opposition Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Gary Lunn moved, - That, the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs and one Member from the Bloc Quebecois, New Democratic Party, and the Progressive Conservative do compose the sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure. After debate, there, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

Gary Knutson moved, - That, the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs, the Parliamentary Secretary and one Member from the Bloc Quebecois, New Democratic Party, and the Progressive Conservative do compose the sub-committee on Agenda and Procedure. After debate, thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed thereon.

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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Meeting No. 49

Tuesday, October 20, 1998

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Adoption of the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure
Study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Ian Marr, Captain, Director, Ice Breaking Program, Canadian Coast Guard;

Michael A.H. Turner, Acting Commissioner, Canadian Coast Guard.

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Meeting No. 49

Tuesday, October 20, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Sarkis Assadourian for Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans - Coast Guard: Michael A.H. Turner, Acting Commissioner; Captain Ian Marr, Director of the Coast Guard Ice Breaking Program.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, seconded by John Cummins, it was agreed, - That the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure be concurred in.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON AGENDA AND PROCEDURE TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings in order to receive evidence when a quorum is not present, providing that at least three (3) members, including both Government and Opposition be present, with the provision that, in the case of the absence of either Government or Opposition members, the Chair be authorized to call the meeting to order no sooner than 15 minutes after the time indicated on the notice as long as 3 members are present. After debate, thereon, it was agreed to.

It was agreed, - That during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for the first questioner for the Reform, followed by five (5) minutes for the Bloc, then ten (10) minutes for the Liberals, then five (5) minutes for the NDP, then five (5) minutes for the Liberal, then five (5) minutes for the Conservatives and if there is subsequent round, that the rotation be the same except all questioning will be for five (5) minutes.

It was agreed, - That the Committee will not re-commence its study of Bill C-27 until mid-November 1998.

It was agreed, - That the Committee hear from officials from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans on ice breaking and navigational aids.

It was agreed, - That the Chair seek authorization to table the West Coast Report.

It was agreed, - That the Government's Response to the East Coast Report be placed as an item of business for the Committee to discuss.

It was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel to Iceland and Norway from November 23, 1998 to December 4, 1998.

It was agreed, - That other areas the Committee might want to study are:

- i. Science
- ii. Native Fisheries and Food Fisheries

In accordance with its mandate under Standing Order 108(2), the Committee undertook a study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services.

Michael A. H. Turner and Ian Marr made statements and answered questions.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m. the Committee met in camera.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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Meeting No. 50

Thursday, October 22, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met, in camera, at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Raymond Bonin for Lawrence O'Brien; Sarmite Bulte for Joe Commuzzi; Hec Clouthier for Paul Steckle; David Pratt for Nancy Karetak-Lindell.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of Canada Central Fisheries Issues and consideration of West Coast Fisheries.

It was agreed, - That the Committee delay the voting on authorizing of the Chair to table the West Coast Report until Tuesday, October 27, 1998.

It was agreed, - That the Committee adopt the travel budget of \$72,350. and the operational budget of \$10,650. until February 2, 1999 and that the Chair be authorized to seek an Order of Reference to travel to Iceland and Norway, the dates to be determined later and that ten (10) members and four (4) staff do accompany the Committee.

It was agreed, - That the Committee, when studying the Government Response to the East Coast Report should look into the following:

1. Capital gains;
2. Recommendations 1 to 9 on foreign fishing;
3. Preamble to recommendation 10 and recommendation 19;
4. Radio station in Îles-de-la-Madeleine, and
5. Recommendations 3 and 7.

At 10:21 o'clock a.m. the Committee adjourned.

At 10:35 o'clock a.m., the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure met.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m. the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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Tuesday, October 27, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:00 o'clock a.m., this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Garry Lunn, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: John O'Reilly for Nancy Karetak-Lindell

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

By unanimous consent, **it was agreed**, - That the Committee proceed to consideration of its future business prior to commencing its consideration of the Draft Report on the Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, **it was agreed**, - That the Committee institute at 48 hour notice for substantive motions.

On motion of Wayne Easter, **it was agreed**, - That the motion adopted at the meeting of Tuesday, October 20, 1998 concerning the rotation and length of time for questions be revised to reflect the following:

Reform 10 minutes

Bloc Quebecois 5 minutes

Liberal 10 minutes

Reform 5 minutes

Liberal 5 minutes

NDP 5 minutes

Liberal 5 minutes

PC 5 minutes

Liberal 5 minutes

By unanimous consent, the Committee reverted to its consideration of the Draft Report on the Fisheries Management on the West Coast.

It was agreed, on division, - That in accordance with a motion adopted on June 9, 1998, the Chair be instructed to present the "The West Coast Report" as its Fourth Report to the House of Commons as soon as possible.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee proceeded to consideration of its Draft Report on the Central Canada fisheries report.

On motion of Paul Steckle, **it was agreed**, - That the Committee consider the draft report on a recommendation by recommendation basis.

It was agreed, - That the draft report on the Central Canada fisheries be adopted as the Committee's Fifth Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be "The Central Canada Freshwater Fisheries Report.

It was agreed, - That the Fifth Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy.

On motion of Paul Steckle, **it was agreed**, - That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

On motion of Lou Sekora, **it was agreed**, - That the Chairman, researcher and a members of the staff of Mr. Steckle's office be authorised to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

It was further agreed, - That the Fifth Report of the Committee be tabled on Thursday, November 5, 1998 and that, Carmen Provenzano, arrange to have the organisers of the lamprey eel display in Ottawa with their display on the same day.

On motion of Gary Lunn, **it was agreed**, - That a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure be held immediately following the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

At 10:03 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Carol Chafe

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 52

Tuesday, November 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of Prince Edward Island and Nunavut Fisheries issues.

It was agreed, - That the Committee meet in public.

At 9:23 o'clock a.m. the Committee met in public.

Gar Knutson moved, - That the Committee dedicate one meeting to talk about confidentiality of the Committee and preventing reports from being leaked. After debate, thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

Wayne Easter moved, - That the Committee invite the General Counsel to prepare a brief on what remedies are available to a Committee when their reports are leaked to the press.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed to meet in camera.

At 9:46 o'clock a.m. the Committee met in camera.

It was agreed, - That the Vice-Chair be authorised to write the Speaker, outlining the problems the Committee has had in receiving timely translations of their reports.

At 10:10 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Thursday, November 5, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:25 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Sarkis Assadourian for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Nunavut Fisheries Issues.

At 11:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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Meeting No. 54

Tuesday, November 17, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Prince Edward Island and Nunavut Fisheries issues

WITNESS:

Nunavut Wildlife Management Board:

Michael d'Eça.

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Tuesday, November 17, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board: Michael d'Eça.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of Prince Edward Island and Nunavut Fisheries issues.

Michael d'Eça made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:15 a.m., the meeting was suspended.

At 10:25 a.m. the Committee met in camera.

It was agreed, - That the Nunavut Report be approved in principle and that the Committee will formally adopt the report on Thursday, November 26, 1998 and that the report will be tabled on Tuesday, December 1, 1998 and if there is to be any minority reports, that they be ready for Thursday, November 26, 1998.

At 11:25 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 55

Thursday, November 19, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Carol Beal, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services;

John Davis, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Oceans;

William J.S. Elliott, Deputy Commissioner, Canadian Coast Guard;

Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy;

Larry Murray, Assistant Deputy Minister;

Scott Parsons, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science;

Jacque Robichaud, Director General, Resource Management, Fisheries Management;

Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister.

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Thursday, November 19, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Briefing from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; Larry Murray, Associate Deputy Minister; William J.S. Elliott, Deputy Commissioner; Carol Beal, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister; Jacque Robichaud, Director General; Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister; Scott Parsons, Assistant Deputy Minister, Oceans; John Davis, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Science.

Wayne Wouters made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Pursuant to motion adopted on Tuesday, October 27, 1998, regarding 48 hours notice for substantive motions, Gary Lunn gave notice of the following motion:

- THAT the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans be requested to appear before the Committee at the earliest opportunity, but not later than November 26, 1998, to address Supplementary Estimates and the performance report of the respective department for the fiscal year 1998-1999.

At 11:10 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 56

Tuesday, November 24, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Nadia Bouffard, Senior Counsel, International Fisheries/Bilateral Relations Division,
International Affairs Directorate;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

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Meeting No. 56

Tuesday, November 24, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:12 a.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Earl Wiseman, Director General; Nadia Bouffard, Senior Counsel; *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Howard Strauss, Director.

Pursuant to an Order of Reference of the House dated Tuesday May 5, 1998, consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements.

Earl Wiseman made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 11:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 57

Wednesday, November 25, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999--Votes 1b, 5b, and 10b under the Department of Fisheries and Oceans

APPEARING:

The Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Carol Beal, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services;

Jacque Robichaud, Director General, Resource Management;

Michael A. H. Turner, Action Commissioner, Canadian Coast Guard;

Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister.

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Wednesday, November 25, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:50 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: The Hon. David Anderson, Minister.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; Carol Beal, Assistant Deputy Minister; Jacques Robichaud, Director General; Michael A.H. Turner, Acting Commissioner, Coast Guard.

Order of Reference from the House of Commons dated Thursday, October 29, 1998: Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999 - Votes 1b, 5b and 10b under the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

The Chair called Votes 1b, 5b and 10b under the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

The Minister made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

Votes 1b, 5b and 10b carried.

ORDERED, - That the Chair report Votes 1b, 5b and 10b under the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to the House.

At 5:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 58

Thursday, November 26, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Lou Sekora and Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Nunavut and Prince Edward Island Fisheries issues.

At 9:29 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 59

Tuesday, December 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services

WITNESSES:

Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Maritime and Industrial Coalition:

Michel Desbiens, President, Donohue;

Guy Dufresne, Chairman; President, Quebec Cartier Mining Company;

Guy Genois, Representative; Director, Marine Transportation, Canadian Salt Company Ltd.;

Paul Gourdeau, Representative; Vice-President, Fednav Limited;

Jack Ross, Representative; Manager of Traffic, Algoma Steel Inc.;

Doug Smith, Representative; President, Chamber of Maritime Commerce;

Wayne Smith, Representative; Vice-President and General Manager, Seaway Self Unloaders;

Bryan Wilson, Representative; Vice-President, Lower St. Lawrence Ocean Agencies Ltd.

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Meeting No. 59

Tuesday, December 1st, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Industrial and Maritime Coalition: Guy Dufresne, President; Michel Desbiens, President; Paul Gourdeau, Vice President; Gilles Champagnes, President; Wayne Smith, Vice President; Jack Ross, Manager of Traffic; Guy Genois, Director of Marine; Bryan Wilson, Vice President. *From the Chamber of Maritime Commerce:* J. Douglas Smith, President.

In accordance with its mandate under Standing Order 108(2), the Committee undertook a study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services.

Guy Dufresne made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

Gary Lunn gave notice to the following motion: - That the Chair be authorized to write to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans recommending that the Minister accept the proposal submitted to him by Guy Dufresne, Chairman of the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Maritime and Industrial Coalition.

Wayne Easter gave notice to the following motion: - That the Committee commence their study of the PEI report on Tuesday, December 8, 1998 and that it conclude and adopt the report the same day. That any member who has concerns regarding the said report consult with Wayne Easter and/or the researcher during the week of November 30, 1998, as to facilitate the work of the Committee on the above said report.

At 11:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 60

Thursday, December 3, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services

WITNESSES:

Canadian Pulp and Paper Association:

David Brown, Captain, Port Superintendent, Abitibi-Consolidated;

Pierre Caron, Manager, Pulp and Paper Transportation;

David W. Church, Director, Transportation, Recycling and Purchasing;

Brian McGurk, Corporate Manager.

Chaleur Regional Development Commission Inc.:

Richard Leduc, General Manager.

Northern Transportation Company Limited:

Terry Cansell, Captain, Director, Eastern Arctic Operations.

Quebec Stevedoring Company Ltd.:

Joanne Lapointe, Vice-President, Corporate Affairs.



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Meeting No. 60

Thursday, December 3, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Darrel Stinson for Keith Martin; Ovid Jackson for Gar Knutson; Raymond Bonin for Paul Steckle.

Other Member(s) present: Eric Lowther.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Northern Transport Company Limited: Captain Terry Cansell. *From the Chaleur:* Richard Leduc, General Manager; *From the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association:* Capt David Brown, Port Superintendent; David W. Church, Director, Transportation, Recycling and Purchasing; Pierre Caron, Manager; Brian McGurk, Corporate Manager.

In accordance with its mandate under Standing Order 108(2), the Committee undertook a study with respect to fees regarding Ice Breaking and other marine services.

It was agreed, - That the draft report on the Nunavut be adopted as the Committee's Seventh Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be "The Nunavut Report".

It was agreed, - That the Seventh Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy.

It was agreed, - That, Pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

It was agreed, - That the Seventh Report of the Committee be tabled on Tuesday, December 8, 1998.

It was agreed, - That the amendments to Recommendations 2, 4, 15, 17 and 18 be inserted into the Report.

Gary Lunn moved, -That the Committee append the dissenting opinion of the Reform Party following the Chair's signature. After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

Gary Lunn moved, - That the Chair be authorized to write the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans immediately, recommending that the Minister accept the proposal submitted to him by Guy Dufresne, Chairman of the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Maritime and Industrial Coalition dated November 16, 1998.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

The Committee resumed consideration of the deferred motion.

Peter Stoffer moved, - That decision on this motion be stood until Tuesday, December 8, 1998. Unanimous consent being denied, the Committee proceeded to the deferred motion of Gary Lunn.

John Cummins moved, - That the motion be amended by striking out all the words after "accept" and by replacing them with the following: "put in place a moratorium on Ice Breaking fees for 1998-99 season, unless agreement can be rendered with the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Maritime and Industrial Coalition".

After debate, thereon, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived.

The question being put on the main motion, it was carried on the following recorded division:

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Yvan Bernier

Raymond Bonin

John Cummins

Claude Drouin

Wayne Easter

Ovid Jackson

Nancy Karetak-Lindell

Gar Knutson

Gary Lunn

Carmen Provenzano

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At 11:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 61

Tuesday, December 8, 1998

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 306. West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Robert Nault for Claude Drouin.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Prince Edward Island Fisheries issues.

At 9 h 45 a.m. the Committee was suspended.

At 11h 45 a.m., the Committee resumed.

It was agreed, - That the draft report on the Prince Edward Island be adopted as the Committee's Eight Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be "The Prince Edward Island Report".

It was agreed, - That the Eight Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy.

It was agreed, - That Pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

It was agreed, - That the Eight Report be tabled on Thursday, December 10, 1998.

It was moved, - That the Committee append the dissenting opinion of the Reform Party following the Chair's signature. After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

At 12:40 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 62

Thursday, February 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on Fisheries management plans and licence buybacks

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy;

Heather James, Chief, Resource Management, Pacific;

Barry Rashotte, Acting Director, Resource Management, Fisheries Management;

David Rideout, Director General, Economic and Policy Analysis Directorate.

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Meeting No. 62

Thursday, February 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Briefing on Fisheries management plans and licence buybacks.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy; David Rideout, Director General, Economic and Policy Analysis; Barry Rashotte, Acting Director, Resource Management, Fisheries Management; Heather James, Chief, Resource Management, Pacific.

Liseanne Forand and Barry Rashotte made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 63

Tuesday, February 9, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provision of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Nadia Bouffard, Senior Advisor, Legal Issues and Canada-France International Affairs
Directorate;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

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Meeting No. 63

Tuesday, February 9, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member present: Daniel Turp for Yves Rocheleau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Nadia Bouffard, Senior Advisor, Legal Issues and Canada-France, International Affairs Directorate; Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management; *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

The Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements.

The Committee proceeded to Clause-by-Clause consideration of the Bill.

On Clause 1

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 1 be amended by replacing lines 2 to 10 on page 3 with the following:

"an organization of foreign states prescribed by regulation;"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

By unanimous consent, Clause 1 was allowed to stand, and the Committee proceeded to Clause 8.

On Clause 8

Gary Lunn moved, - That Clause 8 be amended by replacing line 42 on page 6 with the following:

"subparagraph 6(e)(iii), any"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on division.

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 8 be amended by replacing lines 41 to 47 on page 6 and lines 1

to 21 on page 7 with the following:

"16.1 Despite the geographic limitations referred to in section 7, any power conferred on a protection officer by or under this Act may be exercised by the officer

(a) subject to section 16.2 and to any regulation made under subparagraph 6(e)(iii), in respect of a fishing vessel of a participating state found in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(e)(ii);

(b) subject to any regulation made under subparagraph 6(f)(iii), in respect of a fishing vessel of a state party to a treaty or an arrangement described in paragraph 6(f) when the vessel is found in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(f)(ii); or

(c) in respect of a fishing vessel without nationality found in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(e)(ii) or (f)(ii).

16.2 (1) A protection officer may, in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(e)(ii), board and inspect a fishing vessel of a participating state to ensure compliance with section 5.3 and any regulations made under subparagraph 6(e)(i). An officer who believes on reasonable grounds that the vessel has contravened section 5.3 may, with a warrant issued under section 7.1 or without a warrant in exigent circumstances, search the vessel and exercise the power under section 9 to seize evidence.

(2) If the protection officer believes on reasonable grounds that the vessel has contravened section 5.3, the officer shall without delay inform the participating state.

(3) In addition to the powers referred to in subsection (1), a protection officer may, with the consent of the participating state, exercise any powers referred to in section 16.1. The officer is deemed to have received the consent of the state if the state

(a) has not responded within the period prescribed by regulation; or

(b) has responded but is not fully investigating the alleged contravention."

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Clause 8, as amended, carried on division.

By unanimous consent, the Committee reverted to stood Clause 1.

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 1 be amended by replacing line 14 on page 3 with the following:

"and (vi), paragraphs 16.1(b) and 17(2)(b)"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Clause 1, as amended, carried on division.

On Clause 2

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 2 be amended by

(a) replacing line 23 on page 3 with the following:

"(a) contravene a measure or regulation designated under"

(b) replacing line 27 on page 3 with the following:

"contravention of a measure or regulation designated under"

After debate, by unanimous consent, the amendment and Clause 2 were allowed to stand.

By unanimous consent, Clause 2 was allowed to stand.

On Clause 3

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 3 be amended by

(a) replacing line 24 on page 4 with the following:

"(i) incorporating by reference, or carrying out and giving effect to, any con-"

(b) replacing line 33 on page 4 with the following:

"the measures incorporated by reference or regulations made under this subparagraph those the contravention of"

(c) replacing line 43 on page 4 with the following:

"incorporated by reference and the regulations made under subpara-"

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on division.

By unanimous consent, the Committee proceeded to stand Clause 2.

On Clause 2

The Committee resumed debate on stand Clause 2 and the amendment of Wayne Easter.

That Clause 2 be amended by

(a) replacing line 23 on page 3 with the following:

"(a) contravene a measure or regulation designated under"

(b) replacing line 27 on page 3 with the following:

"contravention of a measure or regulation designated under"

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on division.

The Committee proceeded to Clause 3.

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 2 be amended by replacing line 36 on page 3 with the following:

"travene a measure or regulation designated under"

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 2 be amended by replacing lines 4 to 9 on page 4 with the following:

"subparagraph 6(e)(ii), fish or prepare to fish or contravene a measure or regulation designated under subparagraph 6(e)(i); or

(b) in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(f)(ii), fish or prepare to fish or contravene a measure or regulation designated under subparagraph"

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Clause 2, as amended, carried on division.

On Clause 3

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 3 be amended by

(a) deleting line 8 on page 5, and

(b) replacing line 13 on page 5 with the following:

"state, and

(vii) prescribing a participating state for the purposes of this Act; and"

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 3 be amended by

(a) replacing lines 21 to 25 on page 5 with the following:

"(i) incorporating by reference, or carrying out and giving effect to, any of those measures and designating from amongst the measures incorporated by reference or regulations made under this subparagraph those the contraven-"

(b) replacing lines 34 and 35 on page 5 with the following:

"measures incorporated by reference or regulations made under subparagraph (i), the"

The question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on division.

Clause 3, as amended, carried on division.

On Clause 4

Nancy Karetak-Lindell moved, - That Clause 4 be amended by replacing lines 8 to 17 on page 6 with the following:

"7.01 (1) If a protection officer believes on reasonable grounds that a fishing vessel of a participating state or of a state party to a treaty or an arrangement described in paragraph 6(f)

has engaged in unauthorized fishing in Canadian fisheries waters and the officer finds the vessel in an area of the sea designated under subparagraph 6(*e*)(ii) or (*f*)(ii), the officer may, with the consent of that state, take any enforcement action that is consistent with this Act.

(2) Subsection (1) does not affect any powers the protection officer may have in the case of'

After debate, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on division.

Clause 4, as amended, carried on division.

At 11:20 a.m., the Committee adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, February 11, 1999.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Chairman: Charles Hubbard, Lib.

Meeting No. 64

Thursday, February 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Nadia Bouffard, Senior Advisor, Legal Issues and Canada-France, International Affairs Directorate;

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

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Thursday, February 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:12 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Julian Reed for Lawrence O'Brien; Lynn Myers for Lou Sekora; Daniel Turp for Yves Rocheleau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Nadia Bouffard, Senior Advisor, Legal Issues and Canada-France, International Affairs Directorate; Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management; *From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:* Howard Strauss, Director, Oceans, Environmental and Economic Law Division.

Pursuant to an Order of Reference of the House dated Tuesday May 5, 1998, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act to enable Canada to implement the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks and other international fisheries treaties or arrangements.

The witnesses answered questions.

The Chairman called Clause 5.

After debate, the question being put on the motion.

"Shall Clause 5 stand part of the Bill", it was agreed to, on division.

Clause 5 carried, on division.

The Chairman called Clause 6.

After debate, the question being put on the motion.

"Shall Clause 6 stand part of the Bill", it was agreed to, on division.

Clause 6 carried, on division.

Clause 7 carried, on division.

The Chairman called Clause 9.

After debate, the question being put on the motion.

"Shall Clause 9 stand part of the Bill", it was agreed to, on division.

Clause 9 carried, on division.

Clause 10 carried, on division.

On Clause 11

Wayne Easter moved, - That Clause 11 be amended by replacing, in the English version, lines 16 to 19 on page 8 with the following:

"(2) A fishing vessel on which a summons is served must appear by counsel or agent.

(3) If a fishing vessel"

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to, on division.

Clause 11, as amended, carried on division.

On Clause 12

Daniel Turp moved, - That Clause 12 be amended by replacing, in the French version, lines 34 to 38 on page 8 with the following:

"a.1) soit dans un espace maritime désigné au titre du sous-alinéa 6e)(ii), à bord ou au moyen d'un bateau de pêche d'un État assujetti à l'accord;

a.2) soit dans un espace maritime désigné"

Debate arose thereon.

On motion of Yvan Bernier, it was agreed, - That the amendment be withdrawn.

Clause 12 carried, on division.

Clause 13 carried, on division.

Clause 14 carried, on division.

Clause 15 carried, on division.

The Chairman called Clause 16

After debate, the question being put on the motion.

"Shall Clause 16 stand part of the Bill", it was agreed to, on division.

Clause 16 carried, on division.

Clause 17 carried, on division.

Daniel Turp moved, - That Clauses 1 and 3 which were adopted by the Committee on Tuesday, February 9, 1999 be reopened.

After debate, unanimous consent was refused.

The Title carried, on division.

The Bill, as amended, carried, on division.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed to, on division, - That the Chairman report Bill C-27, as amended, to the House.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed to, on division, - That the Committee order a reprint for use at Report Stage.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 65

Tuesday, March 2, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization

WITNESS:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Earl Wiseman, Director General, International Affairs Directorate, Fisheries Management.

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Tuesday, March 2, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:14 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoïffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Earl Wiseman, Director General; Edith Dussault, Director, Bilateral Relations Division, International Directorate; Chris J. Allen, Chief, Groundfish, Pelagic and Foreign Fisheries, Resource Management, Atlantic Fisheries Management.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Briefing on the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization.

Earl Wiseman made an opening statement and answered questions.

Wayne Easter moved, - That the travel budget be approved.

Wayne Easter moved, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel the week of March 22, 1999 to Nain, Cartwright and Labrador to hold meetings on fisheries issues and also to visit the whelping patch.

At 11:25 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 66

Thursday, March 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Order-in-council appointment of the Commissioner of Aquaculture Development, Mr. Yves Bastien

WITNESS:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Yves Bastien, Commissioner, Aquaculture Development.

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Meeting No. 66

Thursday, March 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:13 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Gary Pillitteri for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Yves Bastien, Commissioner of Aquaculture Development.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, Order in Council Appointment of the Commissioner, of Aquaculture Development, Mr. Yves Bastien.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

On motion of Wayne Easter, it was agreed, - That the Chair report to the House on the Order in Council appointment dated February 1st, 1999, appointing Yves Bastien as Commissioner for Aquaculture Development -- Sessional Paper No. 8540-361-10K (Referred to the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans on December 16, 1998) stating that the Committee found that the appointee have the qualifications and competence to perform the duties of the post to which he is appointed.

At 11:11 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

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Thursday, March 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Denis Coderre for Lawrence O'Brien; Larry McCormick for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Committee proceeded to discuss future business.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Eleventh Report of the Committee be adopted.

On motion of Larry McCormick, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the report to the House.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans proceed to establish a joint sub-committee with the Standing Committee of Environment and Sustainable Development to examine issues related to the environmental management of the aquaculture industry. The study to be undertaken by the joint sub-committee could include an examination of the regulation and use of pesticides, veterinary drugs, the generation and release of wastes, and the effect of nutrients on the ocean environment as a result of aquaculture.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee of Fisheries and Oceans proceed to establish a joint sub-committee with the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage to examine the implications of Bill C-48, An Act respecting Marine Conservation Areas on fishery related activities.

At 9:36 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 68

Thursday, March 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:14 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That the Committee televise their meetings on April 13, 14 and 15th 1999 regarding sealing issues.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans be invited to appear the week of April 19, 1999 on the Department's Main Estimates 1999/2000.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That the Auditor General be invited on the Chapters of his Annual Report regarding fisheries issues.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That Carmen Provenzano be the Chair of the Sub-Committee regarding aquaculture.

At 9:52 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 69

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Sealing issues

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management;

Ken Jones, Resource Management Officer, Seals, Anadromous and Catadromous, Resource Management Branch—Atlantic;

Garry Stenson, Section Head, Marine Mammals Section.

International Marine Mammal Association:

David M. Lavigne, President.

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Meeting No. 69

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 9:10a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Keith Martin, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: George Baker.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection; Ken Jones, Resource Management Officer, Seals, Anadromous and Catadromous; Gary Stenson, Section Head; Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister; *From the International Marine Mammal Association:* David M. Lavigne, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

On motion of Gar Knutson, it was agreed, - That the Operational Budget be approved.

Patrick Chamut made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:40 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:50 a.m., the sitting resumed.

By unanimous consent it was agreed, - That the Committee invite representatives from the Atlantic Veterinary College of the University of Prince Edward Island to appear on Tuesday, April 20, 1999.

David Lavigne made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 70

Wednesday, April 14, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Sealing issues

WITNESSES:

International Fund for Animal Welfare:

Rick Smith, National Director.

Labrador Inuit Association:

Mervin Andersen.

Nunavut Wildlife Management Board:

Ben Kovie, Chairman;

Jim Nobel, Executive Director;

Larry Simpson, Sector Development Specialist, Renewable Resources;

Ken Toner, Regional Superintendent.

Qikiqtaaluk Corporation:

Jerry Ell, President.



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Meeting No. 70

Wednesday, April 14, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 3:41 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Lawrence O'Brien and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Denis Coderre for Claude Drouin; George Baker for Carmen Provenzano.

Also present: From the Senate: The Honourable Willy Adams and the Honourable Charlie Watt, Senators.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Labrador Inuit Association: Mervin Andersen; *From the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board:* Jim Nobel; Ken Toner, Regional Superintendent; Larry Simpson, Sector Development Specialist; Ben Kovic, Chairman; *From the International Fund for Animal Welfare:* Rick Smith, National Director; Andrea Addario; Sandra Sorensen. *From the Qikiqtaaluk corporation:* Jerry Ell, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

On motion of Gary Lunn, it was unanimously agreed, - That the Committee invite Tina Feghan, Executive Director, Canadian Sealers Association, to appear on Thursday, April 15, 1999.

Mervin Andersen, Ben Kovic and Larry Simpson made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:03 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:13 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Rick Smith made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 6:21 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 6:29 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Jerry Ell made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:57 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Carol Chafe

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 71

Thursday, April 15, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Sealing issues

WITNESSES:

Canadian Sealers Association:

Tina Fagan, Executive Director.

Focus Technologies Inc.:

Terry Lomax, President;

George Winters, Senior Fisheries Consultant.

House of Assembly of Newfoundland and Labrador:

John Efford, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture;

Roger Fitzgerald, Member;

Jack Harris, Member;

Kelvin Parsons, Member;

Gerry Reid, Member;

Paul Shelley, Member.

As Individual:

Lloyd Oldford.

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Thursday, April 15, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 9:20 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: George Baker for Carmen Provenzano; Charlie Power for Bill Matthews.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Focus Technologies Inc.: Dr. George Winters, Senior Fisheries Consultant; Terry Lomax, President; *From the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador:* The Hon. John Efford, Minister; Jerry Reid, Liberal Member; Kelvin Parsons, Liberal Member; Roger Fitzgerald, Conservative Member; Jack Harris, Leader of the New Democratic Party; Paul Shelley, Conservative Member. *From the Canadian Sealers Association:* Tina Feghan, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

Dr. George Winters made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 10:17 a.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 10:28 p.m. the sitting resumed.

The Honourable John Efford presented a video and, with the other witnesses, made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:15 p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 12:25 p.m. the sitting resumed.

Tina Feghan made an opening statement and answered questions

At 1:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 72

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of lobster issues

WITNESSES:

Canadian Atlantic Lobster Promotion Association:

Allan Baker, Executive Director;

University of Prince Edward Island:

Richard Cawthorn, Professor, Director, Lobster Health Research Centre;

Wayne Hooper, Chief Executive Officer, Atlantic Veterinary College.

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Meeting No. 72

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Keith Martin, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present:

Associate Member(s) present: Gilles Bernier, René Canuel, Paul Forseth, Ghislain Fournier, Bill Gilmour, Philip Mayfield, Denis Paradis, Svend Robinson, Mike Scott, Angela Vautour.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Claude Emery; Alan Nixon.

Witness(es):

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 73

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Chapter 4 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) – Managing Atlantic Shellfish in a Sustainable Manner; Chapter 7 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) – The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy: Contributions and Grants; Chapter 8 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) – The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy: Follow-up

WITNESSES:

Office of the Auditor General of Canada:

L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada;

John O'Brien, Principal, Audit Operations;

David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations Branch.

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Meeting No. 73

Tuesday, April 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:11 a.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Paul Crête for Yvan Bernier; Roy Bailey for Gary Lunn.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Office of the Auditor General of Canada: L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada; David Rattray, Assistant Auditor General, Audit Operations Branch; John O'Brien, Principal, Audit Operations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) Consideration of Chapter 4 of the Report of the Auditor General - (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) - Managing Atlantic Shellfish in a Sustainable Manner; Consideration of Chapter 7 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) - The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy : Contributions and Grants; Consideration of Chapter 8 of the Report of the Auditor General (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) - The Atlantic Groundfish Strategy: Follow-up.

Denis L. Desautels made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:48 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 74

Tuesday, May 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of sealing issues

WITNESSES:

Fur Institute of Canada:

Alison Beal, Executive Director;

Brian Roberts, Chairman.

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The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:16 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Researcher Officer.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Fur Institute: Alison Beal, Executive Director; Brian Roberts, Chairman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

Alison Beal and Brian Roberts made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:58 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 75

Thursday, May 6, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000 - under Fisheries and Oceans

APPEARING:

Hon. David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Carol Beal, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services;

David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection;

Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister.

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Thursday, May 6, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Yves Rocheleau, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: The Hon. David Anderson, Minister, Fisheries and Oceans.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Carol Beal, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services; William J.S. Elliott, Deputy Commissioner, Canadian Coast Guard; John Davis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science; Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection.

Order of Reference from the House of Commons dated Monday, March 1st, 1999: Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000 - under Fisheries and Oceans.

The Chair called Vote 1 under FISHERIES AND OCEANS.

The Minister made a statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

By unanimous consent, Votes 1, 5 and 10 were carried on division.

By unanimous consent, the Chair was authorised to report the Estimates to the House.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That Fisheries Resource Conservation Council be invited to appear on Tuesday, May 11, 1999 to discuss the issues on sealing.

At 10:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 76

Tuesday, May 11, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:12 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Raymonde Folco for Wayne Easter.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

It was agreed, to invite the Fisheries Resource Conservation Council together with witnesses from the 3K Small Boat Action Committee and the Inshore Commercial Fisheries Group in the area of 2J3KL to appear on Thursday, May 27, 1999.

At 10:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 77

Tuesday, May 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of West Coast Fisheries

WITNESS:

Pacific Salmon Commission:

Rich Chapple, Executive Director, Pacific Salmon Foundation and Commissioner.

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Tuesday, May 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Acting Chair, Peter Stoffer, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: John Cummins, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Chuck Strahl for Gary Lunn.

Other Member present: Marlene Jennings.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Pacific Salmon Commission: Rich Chapple, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study of West Coast Fisheries.

Rich Chapple made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 9:17 a.m., Charles Hubbard took the Chair.

At 10:40 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 78

Thursday, May 27, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Sealing Issues

WITNESSES:

Fisheries Resource Conservation Council:

Chirs Allen, Acting Executive Director;

Dan Lane, Member;

Goerge Rose, Member;

Fred Woodman, Chairman.

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Thursday, May 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Gar Knutson, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Office Researcher.

Witnesses: From the Fisheries Resource Conservation Council: Fred Woodman, Chairman; Dr. George Rose, Council Member; Dr. Dan Lane, Council Member; Chris J. Allen, A/Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of Sealing Issues.

Fred Woodman made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered question.

At 11:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 79

Tuesday, June 1st, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gar Knutson, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced consideration of the Draft Report on Sealing Issues.

At 11:02 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 80

Thursday, June 3, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Bill Matthews, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle.

Acting Members present: Ian Murray for Claude Drouin, Eugene Bellemare for Carmen Provenzano.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of a draft report on Sealing Issues.

It was agreed, - That the draft report on Seals be adopted as the Committee's Thirteenth Report to the House.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be "Seals Report".

It was agreed, - That the report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of International Economy.

It was agreed, - That pursuant to the Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response.

At 11:10 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, June 8, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:11 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Charles Hubbard, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Charles Hubbard, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gary Lunn, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Bill Matthews.

Acting Member present: Brent St.Denis for Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on Seals.

It was agreed, - That any dissenting opinions be sent to the Clerk by 5 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, June 8, 1999 and that such opinions be no longer than two pages 8½ by 11 and that they be in both official languages.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the Report.

At 11:20 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Meeting No. 1

Wednesday, October 20, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair



order not sooner than 15 minutes after the time indicated on the notice as long as three members are present.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed - That during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for the first questioner for the Reform, followed by five (5) minutes for the Bloc, then ten (10) minutes for the Liberals, then five (5) minutes for the Reform, then five (5) minutes for the NDP, then five (5) minutes for the Liberal, then five (5) minutes for the Conservatives and if there is subsequent round, that the rotation be the same except all questioning will be for five (5) minutes.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the Committee retain the services of one or more research officers from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That, at the discretion of the Chair, reasonable travelling expenses, as per the regulations established by the Board of Internal Economy be paid to witnesses invited to appear before the Committee, and that payment of these expenses be limited to two (2) representatives per organization.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the Committee authorize the Chair, from time to time, as the need arises to take in conjunction with the Clerk of the Committee the appropriate measures to provide lunches for the committees and its sub-committees, for working purposes, and that the cost of these lunches be charged to the appropriate budget of the Committee.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That forty-eight (48) hours notice be given to the members of the Committee before any substantive motions is considered by the Committee, and that the motion be circulated in both official languages.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That whenever Order in Council appointments are referred to the Committee, the Clerk shall obtain and circulate to each Member of the Committee a copy of the said appointments.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents to the members of the Committee, in the language received, and to ensure that such documents are translated and distributed as promptly as possible.

At 3:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 2

Thursday, October 21, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the implications of the September 17, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

APPEARING:

Hon. Herb Dhaliwal, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans



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Meeting No. 2

Thursday, October 21, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Mike Scott for Bill Gilmour; Mark Muisse for Charlie Power.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: The Hon. Herb Dhaliwal, Minister.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), briefing on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The Minister made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, October 26, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management;

Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister.

Department of Justice:

Clare Beckton, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Aboriginal Affairs Portfolio.



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Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, October 26, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muise.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Wayne Wouters, Deputy Minister; Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management. *From the Department of Justice:* Clare Beckton, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Aboriginal Affairs Portfolio.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), briefing on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans be permitted to televise its meetings from October 28th, 1999 to December 17, 1999 concerning the implication of the September 17, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the Chair seek funds of \$123,018.00 for the travel of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans the week of November 21 to the 28th, 1999 for its study on the implications of the September 17, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of Fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

On motion of Bill Matthews it was agreed, - That the Members of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans and the necessary staff (10) be authorized to travel to Prince Edward Island, Halifax, Moncton and Gaspé, from November 21 to November 28 1999 to continue its study on the implication of the September 17, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of Fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

At 11:22 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 4

Thursday, October 28, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs:

Bernd Christmas.

Maritime Fishermen's Union:

Reginald Comeau, Regional Coordinator;

Graeme Gawn, Representative.

P.E.I. Fishermen's Association:

Ronnie Campbell, Chairman, Lobster Advisory Committee;

Donnie Strongman, President.



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Meeting No. 4

Thursday, October 28, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Mark Muisse for Charlie Power.

Other Member(s) present: John O'Reilly for Bill Matthews; Joe McGuire for Lawrence O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Nova Scotia Assembly of Micmac Chiefs: Bernd Christmas. *From the Maritime Fishermen's Union:* Reginald Comeau, Regional Coordinator; Graeme Gawn, Representative. *From the P.E.I. Fishermen's Association:* Donnie Strongman, President; Ronnie Campbell, Chairman, Lobster Advisory Committee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

Bernd Christmas made an opening statement and answered questions.

Reginald Comeau and Graeme Gawn made opening statements and answered questions.

Donnie Strongman and Ronnie Campbell made opening statements and answered questions.

Sarkis Assadourian moved, - That the Chair be authorized to write the Justice Minister in regards to certain legal opinions in the R.v. Marshall case. After debate thereon, it was agreed to on the following recorded vote:

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On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That the Committee hear witnesses from the Sockeye Crisis Committee on Thursday, November 4, 1999.

On motion of Yvan Bernier, it was agreed, - That the Committee hear Senior Officials on Wednesday, November 3, 1999 with regards to Post T.A.G.S..

At 11:20 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, November 2, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Atlantic Fishing Industry Alliance:

Don Cunningham, Vice-President;

Jim Fraelic, Director;

Denny Morrow, Coordinator;

Melanie Sonnenberg, President.

Bay of Fundy Inshore Fishermen's Association:

Arthur Bull, Coordinator;

Ashton Spinney, Representative;

Harold Theriault, President.



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Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, November 2, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Atlantic Fishing Industry Alliance: Jim Fraelic, President, South Shore Gill Net Association; Denny Morrow, Coordinator; Don Cunningham, Vice-President; Melanie Sonnenberg, President. *From the Bay of Fundy Inshore Fishermen's Association:* Arthur Bull, Coordinator; Harold Theriault, President; Ashton Spinney.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

By videoconference from Halifax.

Denny Morrow made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Arthur Bull made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

The Chairman presented the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follow:

- That Carmen Provenzano chair the Sub-Committee to plan the activities related to the studies of the Oceans Act and Aquaculture and that the sub-committee membership be Carmen Provenzano, Charlie Power, Bill Gilmour, Yvan Bernie and others to be named at a later date.
- That the Committee undertake the study of the following items:

- October to December 1999 R. v. *Marshall* Decision

- February and March 2000 Aboriginal Fishing Strategy and Aquaculture issues

- April to June 2000 Review of the Oceans Act and continuing study on Aquaculture.

- That the Committee report on the R. v. *Marshall* decision before Christmas and that the Committee report on the review of the Oceans Act before the summer recess.

On motion of Sarkis Assadourian, it was agreed, - That the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure was concurred in.

Yvan Bernier moved, - That the motion adopted by the Committee regarding questioning of witnesses on October 20, 1999 be recinded and the following substituted therefor:

- That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated five (5) minutes for the first questioner of each party beginning with the official opposition, followed by the Bloc québécois, the New Democratic Party, the Progressive Conservative Party and the Liberal Party and that thereafter five (5) minutes be allocated to each subsequent questioner, alternating between opposition and government parties, at the discretion of the Chair.

After debate the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed to invite the following witnesses to be heard: Hubert Saulnier, the New Brunswick Aboriginal Peoples Council, the Native Council of Nova Scotia, The Native Council of Prince Edward Island, the Conservative Council of New Brunswick and Professor David Bell, University of New Brunswick.

At 11:25 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, November 3, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the Post T.A.G.S. Review

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

Lorne Anderson, Director, Restructuring and Adjustment Branch;

David Rideout, Director General, Aquaculture, Restructuring and Adjustment.

Department of Human Resources Development:

David A. Good, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources Investments Branch;

Ron Stewart, Director General, Labour Market Directorate.

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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, November 3, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:45 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Lorne Anderson, Director, Restructuring and Adjustment Branch; David Rideout, Director General, Aquaculture, Restructuring and Adjustment. *From the Department of Human Resources Development Canada:* David A. Good, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Resources. Ron Stewart, Director General, Labour Market Directorate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), briefing on the Post T.A.G.S. Review.

David Good made an opening statement and answered questions.

David Rideout made an opening statement and answered questions.

Ron Stewart and Lorne Anderson answered questions.

At 5:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Chair: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Meeting No. 7

Thursday, November 4, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the West Coast Fisheries

WITNESSES:

Fraser River Sockeye Crisis Committee:

Dan Edwards;

John Henderson, Chief;

Christine Hunt;

John Sutcliffe.

Province of British Columbia:

Dennis Streifel, Minister of Fisheries.

As Individual:

Bruce Probert.

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Meeting No. 7

Thursday, November 4, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:04 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano.

Acting Member(s) present: Reg Bélair for Lou Sekora; David Pratt for Lawrence O'Brien; Rick Limoges for Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer

Witness(es): From the Sockeye Crisis Committee: Dan Edwards; John Sutcliffe; Christine Hunt; John Henderson. *From the British Columbia Fisheries Survival Coalition:* Bruce Probert. As an individual: The Honorable Dennis Streifel, B.C. Minister of Fisheries.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the West Coast Fisheries.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

Peter Stoffer moved, - That the motion adopted by the Committee regarding questioning of witnesses on October 20, 1999 be rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

- That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for the first questioner beginning with the Official Opposition, followed by the Bloc québécois and the Liberal Party, and that thereafter five (5) minutes be allocated to the New Democratic Party, the Progressive Conservative Party, and if there is a subsequent round, that the rotation be the same except all questioning will be for five (5) minutes.

After debate, the question being put to motion, it was negatived.

At 11:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 8

Monday, November 15, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

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WITNESS:

As Individual:

Chris Harvey.

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Monday, November 15, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, John Duncan, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lou Sekora.

Acting Member(s) present: Rick Laliberté for Peter Stoffer; Rose-Marie Ur for Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness: As Individual: Chris Harvey, Lawyer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 4:38 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Rumas

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 16, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Indigenous Bar Association:

Larry Chartrand, Past President;

Melinda Martin, Representative.

As Individual:

Stephen Patterson.

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Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 16, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, John Duncan, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Indigenous Bar Association: Larry Chartrand, Past President; Melinda Martin.
As Individual: Stephen Patterson, University of New Brunswick.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the operational budget be approved.

At 11:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 10

Monday, November 22, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Abegweit First Nation:

Patrick Augustine, Band Adviser;

Francis Jadis, Chief.

Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island:

Hector MacLeod, Member;

Robert Morrissey, Member.

Malpeque Harbour Authority:

Ewen Clark, Member;

Greg Hébert, Member;

Paul Pickering, Secretary;

Chris Wall, Member.

Native Council of Prince Edward Island:

Valerie Chisholm, President;

Michael Gallant, Vice-President.

North Shore Fishermen's Association:

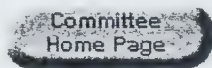
Walter Bruce, Member;

Greg Hébert, Member;

Norman Peters, President.

Western Gulf Fishermen's Association:

H. Craig Avery, President.



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Meeting No. 10

Monday, November 22, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:04 a.m. this day, at the Stanley Bridge Country Resort in Kensington, P.E.I., the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Joe McGuire.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

Witnesses: From the Malpeque Harbour Authority: Greg Hébert, Member; Paul Pickering, Secretary; Chris Wall, Member; Ewen Clark, Member. *From the Native Council of PEI:* Valerie Chisholm, President; Michael Gallant, Vice-President. *From the Abegweit First Nation:* Francis Jadis, Chief; Patrick Augustine, Adviser; Joseph Knockwood, Member. *From the North Shore Fishermen's Association:* Norman Peters, President; Walter Bruce, Member; Greg Hébert, Member. *From the Legislative Assembly of P.E.I. - Liberal Opposition:* Hector MacLeod, Member; Robert Morrissey, Member. *From the Western Gulf Fishermen's Association:* Craig Avery, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 11

Monday, November 22, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Tourism of Prince Edward Island:

Kevin J. MacAdam, Minister.

Lennox Island First Nation:

Tracy Cutcliffe, Band Government Adviser.

Lennox Island Mi'kmaq Band:

Charlie Sark, Chief.

Prince Edward Island Shellfish Association:

Bill Murley, President.

Prince Edward Island Snow Crab Fishermen Inc.:

Doug Cameron, Executive Director.

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Meeting No. 11

Monday, November 22, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:16 p.m. this day, at the Stanley Bridge Country Resort in Kensington, P.E.I., the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Joe McGuire

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

Witnesses: From the Government of Prince Edward Island: The Honourable Kevin J. MacAdam, Minister, P.E.I. Department of Fisheries and Tourism; Lewie Creed, Assistant Deputy Minister, P.E.I. Department of Fisheries and Tourism. *From the P.E.I. Shellfish Association:* Bill Murley, President; Lomen MacLean, President, Prince County Shellfish Association. *From the Lennox Island Mi Kmaq Band:* Charlie Sark, Chief; Tracy Cutcliffe, Adviser. *From the Snow Crab Area 12, 25 & 26 Association:* Doug Cameron, Executive Director; Carter Hutt, President; Joey Aylward, Secretary Treasurer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed to hear the Auditor General of Canada on December 7, 1999.

At 3:47 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, November 23, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Area 19 Snow Crab Fishermen's Association:

Brian Adams, President;
Stewart Beaton, Director;
Ronnie Doucet, Vice-President.

Coastal Community Network:


Arthur Bull, Chairperson.

Guysborough County Inshore Fishermen's Association:

Eugene O'Leary, Member.

Nova Scotia New Democratic Party:

John MacDonnell, Fisheries Critic; Member for Hants East, Legislative Assembly of Nova Scotia.



As Individuals:

Kevin Deveau;

William Moreira.

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Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, November 23, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:03 a.m. this day, at the Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muisse.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Coastal Communities Network: Arthur Bull, Chairperson. *As Individual:* John MacDonnell, M.L.A., N.D.P. Fisheries Critic; Kevin Deveau, M.L.A.; William Moreira, Lawyer; Michelle Higgins, Lawyer. *From the Area 19 Snow Crab Association:* Stewart Beaton, Director; Ronnie Doucet, Vice-President; Brian Adams, President. *From the Guysborough County Inshore Fishermen's Association:* Eugene O'Leary, Member.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, November 23, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Lobster Fishing Area 34 Committee:

Wayne Spinney, Member.

Local 6, Maritime Fishermen's Union:

Jeff Brownstein, President.

North Shore Fishermen's Association:

Eben Elliott, Spokesperson.

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, November 23, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:24 p.m. this day, at the Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muisse.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Bay of Fundy Inshore Fishermen's Association: Wayne Spinney, Member. *From the Lobster Fishing Area 34 Committee:* Wayne Spinney, Member. *From the Maritime Fishermen's Union:* Jeff Browstein, President, Local 6. *From the North Shore Fishermen's Association:* Eben Elliott.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on *R. v. Marshall* on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 3:00 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 3:30 o'clock p.m., the sitting was resumed.

Eben Elliot answered questions.

At 3:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Eastern Shore Fishermen's Protection Association:

Norma Richardson, President.

Ecology Action Centre:

Mark Butler, Co-ordinator, Marine Issues Committee.

Gulf of Nova Scotia Fleet Planning Board:

Herman Deveau, Director;

Percy Hayne, President.

Native Council of Nova Scotia:

Roger Hunka, Aboriginal Rights Facilitator.

Scotia Fundy Mobile Gear Fishermen's Association:

Brian Giroux, Executive Director.

As Individual:

Hubert Saulnier.

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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:00 a.m. this day, at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muisse.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Scotia Fundy Mobile Gear Fishermen's Association: Brian Giroux, Executive Director. *From the Native Council of Nova Scotia:* Roger Hunka, Aboriginal Rights Facilitator; Cory Francis, Prefect Fisheries Facilitator. *As an individual:* Hubert Saulnier. *From the Eastern Shore Fishermen's Protection Association:* Norma Richardson, President; Nellie Baker, Fish Manager. *From the Ecology Action Centre:* Mark Butler, Marine Co-ordinator. *From the Gulf of Nova Scotia Fleet Planning Board:* Percy Hayne, President; Herman Deveau, Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

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WITNESSES:

Acadian Fish Processors:

Richard D'Entremont, President and General Manager.

Atlantic Policy Congress:

Doug Brown, Legal Counsel;

John G. Paul, Treaty Mediator;

Paul Prosper, Legal Counsel.

Mi'kmaq Fish and Wildlife Commission:

Chris Milley, Executive Co-Director.

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:05 p.m. this day, at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muisse.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Mi'Kmaq Fish and Wildlife Commission: Chris Milley, Executive Co-Director. *From the Acadian Fish Processors:* Richard D'Entremont, President and General Manager. *From the Atlantic Policy Congress:* Chief John G. Paul, Treaty Mediator; Paul Prosper, Legal Counsel; Doug Brown, Legal Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 3:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 16

Thursday, November 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Acadian Groundfish Fishermen's Association:

Alyre Gauvin, President.

Conservation Council of New Brunswick:

David Coon, Policy Director.

New Brunswick Aboriginal Peoples Council:

Philip Fraser, Coordinator;

Betty Ann LaVallée, President.

New Brunswick Wildlife Federation:

Fred Wheaton, Chairman.

As Individual:

David Bell.

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Thursday, November 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:00 a.m. this day, at the Delta Beauséjour in Moncton, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es):. From the New Brunswick Aboriginal Peoples Council: Betty Ann LaVallée, CD, President; Philip Fraser, Coordinator. *As an individual:* David Bell, Professor. *From the Conservation Council of New Brunswick:* David Coon, Policy Director. *From the New Brunswick Wildlife Federation:* Fred Wheaton, Chairman. *From the Acadian Groundfish Fishermen's Association:* Alyre Gauvin, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:14 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 17

Thursday, November 25, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Maritime Fishermen's Union:

Michael Belliveau, Executive Secretary;

Frank McLaughlin, President.

Mawiw Council of First Nations:

Leon Sock, President.

Miramichi Salmon Association Inc.:

J.W. Bud Bird, President.

Union of New Brunswick Indians:

Arthur Bear, Fisheries Commissioner; Chief, St. Mary's First Nations;

Peter Birney, Biologist.

United Nations Human Rights Commission:

Junior Charles Bernard, Mi'kmaq Ambassador.

Waycobah First Nations:

Charles Bernard, Fisherman;

Charles Marble, Fisherman.

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Meeting No. 17

Thursday, November 25, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:17 p.m. this day, at the Beausejour Hotel in Moncton, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Maritime Fishermen's Union: Michael Belliveau, Executive Secretary; Frank McLaughlin, President; Ronald Cormier, Vice President. *From the Miramichi Salmon Association Inc.:* J.W. Bud Bird, President. *From the Mawiw Council of First Nations:* Leon Sock, President; Susan Levi, Coordinator. *From the St. Mary's First Nation:* Chief Arthur Bear. *From the Union of New Brunswick Indians:* Chief Arthur Bear; Peter Birney, Coordinator, Biologist; Danny Thériault, Advisor. *From the United Nations Human Rights Commission:* Junior Charles Bernard, Ambassador for Mi'Kmaq; Charles Marble, Fisherman; Charles Bernard, Fisherman.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 18

Friday, November 26, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

City of Miramichi:

Kenneth Clark, Councillor.

Maritime Fishermen's Union, Local 1:

Zoel Breau, Member;

Reginald Comeau;

Louis Schofield, Secretary-Treasurer.

Northumberland Salmon Protection Association:

Bruce Whipple, Past President.

Red Bank First Nation:

Don Ward, Councillor.

Village of Neguac:

Richard Breault, Mayor.

As Individuals:

Millie Augustine;

Kevin Cassidy.

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Meeting No. 18

Friday, November 26, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:02 a.m. this day, at the Rodd Miramichi River Lodge and Conference Centre in Miramichi, New Brunswick, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Charles Hubbard.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): As an individual: Kevin Cassidy. *From the Northumberland Salmon Protection Association:* Bruce Whipple, Past President. *From the City of Miramichi:* Kenneth Clark, Councillor. *From the Red Bank First Nation:* Don Ward, Councillor. *From the Village of Néguaac:* Richard Breault, Mayor. *From the Maritime Fishermen's Association, Local 1:* Reginald Comeau; Louis Schofield, Secretary-Treasurer; André Martin, Wharf Representative; Zoel Breault, Member; Zoel Robichaud, Member. *As an individual:* Millie Augustine, MicMac Lawyer, Big Cove.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 19

Friday, November 26, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.V. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

"Association des crabiers du Nord-Est":

Jean Gauvin, Executive Director.

Atlantic Salmon Federation:

Stephen Chase, Vice-President, Government Affairs.

Burnt Church First Nation:

Millie Augustine, Lawyer;

Alex Dedam, Comptroller;

Larry Dedam, Councillor;

Miigam'agan, Technical Adviser.

Eel Ground First Nation:

George Ginnish, Chief.

Regional Acadian Federation of Professional Fishers:

Jean Saint-Cyr, Executive Director.

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Meeting No. 19

Friday, November 26, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:16 p.m. this day, at the Rodd Miramichi River Lodge and Conference Centre in Miramichi, New Brunswick, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Lawrence O'Brien, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Charles Hubbard,

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the "Association des crabiers du Nord-est": Jean Gauvin, Director General; Paul Noel, Vice-President. *From the Eel Ground First Nation:* George Ginnish, Chief; Eugen Patles, Council Member; Steve Ginnish, Council Member. *From the Burnt Church First Nation:* Larry Dedam, Councillor; Alex Dedam, Comptroller. *From the "Fédération régionale acadienne des pêcheurs professionnels":* Jean Saint-Cyr, Director General; Joel Gionet, President. *From the Atlantic Salmon Federation:* Stephen Chase, Vice President, Government Affairs; Danny Bird, Regional Director for New Brunswick.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 3:38 o'clock p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 3:46 o'clock p.m. the sitting resumed.

At 4:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk(s) of the Committee

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Meeting No. 20

Saturday, November 27, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

"Alliance des pêcheurs professionnels du Québec":

François Poulin, Executive Director.

"Fédération des pêcheurs semi-hauturiers du Québec":

Maurice Ouellet, Director General, "Association des crabiers gaspésiens".

Listuguj First Nations Government:

Troy Jerome, Councillor;

Allison Metallic, Chief.

Mi'kmak Nation of Gespeg:

Richard Jalbert, Chief.

Mi'kmak of Gesgapegiag:

John Martin, Chief.

“Mouvement des pêcheurs de crabe, Zone 17”:

René Landry, President.

“Regroupement des pêcheurs professionnels du sud de la Gaspésie”:

Onil Cloutier, Director General.

Viger Maliseet First Nation:

Diane Brière, Economic Development Director;

Marcel Rancourt, Fisheries Coordinator.

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Meeting No. 20

Saturday, November 27, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:15 a.m. this day, at the Motel Adams in Gaspé, Québec, Yvan Bernier, acting Chair, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Lawrence O'Brien, Paul Steckle, and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): By Videoconference from Quebec City: From the "Alliance des pêcheurs professionnels du Québec": François Poulin, Executive Director. *From the "Première Nation malécite de Viger":* Diane Brière, Chief of Economic Development; Marcel Rancourt, Member.

Witness(es): From the "Fédération des pêcheurs semi-hauturiers du Québec": Maurice Ouellet, Executive Director. *"Regroupement des pêcheurs professionnels du sud de la Gaspésie":* Onil Cloutier, General Director; Donald Walker, President of the Lobster Association - Gaspé South; Pierre Roussy, President of the Lobster Association - Gaspé South; Daniel Mercier, Assistant Director General. *From the Municipality of Listuguj First Nations Government:* Chief Allison Metallic; Troy Jerome, Councillor. *From the MicMac of Jesjapegiag:* Chief John Martin. *From the MicMac Nation of Jespeg:* Chief Richard Jalbert. *From the "Regroupement des pêcheurs de crabe - Zone 17:* René Landry, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 1:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Tuesday, November 30, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Chairman, Carmen Provenzano presented the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Aquaculture and Oceans Act which is as follow:

In accordance with the Order of Reference given by the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans to the Sub-Committee to make recommendations to the Standing Committee respecting a proposed study of Aquaculture in Canada, Members of the Sub-Committee on Aquaculture and Oceans Act met at 9:28 o'clock p.m. in Moncton, New Brunswick, the Chair, Carmen Provenzano, presiding, the Sub-Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans undertake a comprehensive study of fin fish aquaculture commencing in January 2000; and
2. As part of this comprehensive study, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans seek an Order of Reference to travel throughout:
 - i. British Columbia and to places in the state of Washington; and
 - ii. New Brunswick and to places in the state of Maine, and
 - iii. Norway and the United Kingdom; and
 - iv. Japan, and
 - v. Chile.
3. That the Standing Committee combine this work in its travels where it deems appropriate, with its Review of the Oceans Act.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Aquaculture and Oceans Act be concurred in.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to write to the Minister requesting the appearance of certain enforcement officers.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That Jim Mackenzie be invited to appear before the Committee.

At 11:00 o'clock a.m. the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 22

Tuesday, December 7, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of the following: Chapter 20 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada
(Fisheries and Oceans — Pacific Salmon: Sustainability of the Fisheries)

WITNESSES:

Office of the Auditor General of Canada:

L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada;

Geoffrey Robins, Principal, Audit Operations.



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Meeting No. 22

Tuesday, December 7, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 308 West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Auditor General of Canada: L. Denis Desautels, Auditor General of Canada; Geoffrey Robins, Principal, Audit Operations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the following: Chapter 20 of the Report of the Auditor General of Canada (Fisheries and Oceans - Pacific Salmon: Sustainability of the Fisheries).

Denis Desautels made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

On motion of John Cummins, it was agreed, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans request an Order of Reference to travel from February 13 to February 23, 2000 to British Columbia and the State of Washington, to commence their comprehensive study on Aquaculture, and their statutory obligation, to undertake a review of the Oceans Act and their study on aboriginal fishing strategy.

And, - That the said Committee be composed of two (2) Reform Members, one (1) Bloc québécois Member, one (1) NDP Member, one (1) PC Member and five (5) Liberal Members and the necessary staff to accompany the Committee.

On motion of Carmen Provenzano, it was agreed, - That the travel budget in the amount of \$166,961.90 be approved.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 23

Monday, December 13, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 3:14 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano.

Acting Member(s) present: Steve Mahoney for Bill Matthews; Hec Clouthier for Lou Sekora; Marcel Proulx for Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

It was agreed, - That pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), the Committee authorizes the printing opinions as an appendix to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair, that the dissenting opinions be limited to not more than 3 pages, and that the dissenting opinions be sent to the Clerk of the Committee electronically, in a bilingual format and the font print be no. 10, on/before Wednesday, December 15, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.

At 4:24 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:17 o'clock p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 6:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, December 14, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 9:05 o'clock a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Jeffrey Sheidow, Fishery Officer, Conservation and Protection, Summerside, P.E.I.; Kent MacRae, Fishery Officer, Conservation and Protection, Summerside, P.E.I.; Wayne Thompson, Field Supervisor, Conservation and Protection, Néguaac, N.B., Gulf Region; Raoul Breault, Area Chief, Conservation and Protection E/N.B., Gulf Region; Edward (Ted) Maher, Director, Conservation and Protection, Scotia-Fundy Fisheries Management, Maritimes Region; Edmond Martin, Acting Director, Conservation and Protection, Gulf Fisheries Management, Gulf Region.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:14 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:14 o'clock a.m., the sitting resumed, the acting Chair, Peter Stoffer, presiding.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 11:20 o'clock a.m., Wayne Easter took the Chair.

At 12:10 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, December 14, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 12:30 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision of R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

At 2:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, December 14, 1999

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Claude Drouin, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Matthews, Charlie Power, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Charles Hubbard for Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Marcel Proulx for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of the Draft Report on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision of R.v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

It was agreed, - That the letter from the Chair to the Honourable Herb Dhaliwal, P.C., M.P., be printed as Appendix A to the Second Report.

It was agreed, - That the Draft Report of the Committee entitled "The Marshall Decision and beyond: Implications for the Management of the Atlantic Fisheries" be adopted as the Committee's Second Report to the House.

It was agreed, That - the Committee Report be printed in accordance with the policy established by the Board of Internal Economy.

It was agreed, - That notwithstanding Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to the Report no later than February 7, 2000.

It was agreed, - That the Researcher and the Clerk be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, February 8, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Ocean Act

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Dick Carson, Regional Director, Oceans (Pacific Region);
Chrystia Chudczak, Director, Oceans Policy and Integrated Management Branch;
Matthew King, Assistant Deputy Minister, Oceans;
Camille Mageau, Director, Oceans Policy and Integrated Management Branch;
Daniel McDougall, Acting Director General, Oceans Directorate;
Faith Scattolon, Regional Director, Oceans (Maritimes).



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Tuesday, February 8, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:12 a.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Marcel Proulx for Claude Drouin.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Matthew King, Acting Deputy Minister, Oceans; Daniel McDougall, Acting Director General, Ocean Directorate. *From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans:* Dick Carson, Regional Director, Oceans - Pacific Region; Faith Scattolon, Regional Director, Oceans - Maritimes. *From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada:* Camille Mageau, Director, Marine Ecosystems & Conservation Branch.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee undertook a Review of the Act.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

On motion of Sarkis Assadourian it was agreed, - That the hospitality expenses incurred during the Committee travel throughout the East Coast be approved.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 28

Monday, February 14, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met without recording at 1:45 p.m. this day, in Cambell River, British Columbia, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

Witness(es): From the United Fishermen & Allied Workers Union: Garth Mirau. *From the British Columbia Ministry of Fisheries:* Bud Graham, Assistant Deputy Minister; Andrew Morgan, Manager, Federal-Provincial International Relations; Bill Harrower, Finfish Biologist; Joanne Constantine, Fish Elf Veterinarian; Clare Backman, Finfish Biologist.. *From the Nootka Resource Board - Gold River:* Larry Andrews. *From the B.C. Salmon Farmers Association:* Anita C. Peterson. *From the Sakana Veterinary Services Limited:* Dr. Mark Sheppard, Veterinarian. *From the Syndel Laboratories:* Dr. Jim Brackett. *From the Kyuguot First Nation Corporation:* : Richard Buchanan. *From the Musgamagw Tsawataineuk Tribal Council:* Williams T. Cranmer, Chief; Bruce Burrows.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Tuesday, February 15, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met without recording at 9:05 a.m. this day, at the Sheraton Four Points in Nanaimo, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Don Radford, Director, Fisheries Management; Laura Richards, A/Regional Director of Science; Dorothy Kieser; Ron Kehl; Wilf Leudke; Dr. Don Noakes. *From the Green Urchin Association:* Jim Dyck; Michael Callow. *From the B.C. Fisheries Survival Coalition:* Phillip Eidsvik, Executive Director; Stewart McDonald.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met without recording at 1:30 p.m. this day, at the Four Points Sheraton in Nanaimo, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

Witness(es): From the Friends of Clayoquot Sound: Sergio Paone. *From NORAM:* Jamie Bridge.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee undertook a review of the Act.

Witness: From the Shellfish Growers Association: Ruth Salmon.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 3:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 31

Wednesday, February 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 8:07 a.m. this day, in the Coast Harbourside & Marina in Victoria, B.C., the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(e)s: From the Capital Regional Victoria District: Christopher Causton, Board Chair; Denise Blackwell. *From the Island Scallops:* Robert Saunders, President. *From the Sierra Club of British Columbia:* Sharon Chow.

At 8:35 o'clock a.m. the sitting was suspended to tour the Currie Road Pump Station, Clover and Point Outfall.

At 11:04 o'clock a.m. the sitting was resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

Robert Saunders made an opening statement and answered questions.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee undertook a Review of the Act.

Sharon Chow made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to later this day.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 32

Wednesday, February 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met without recording at 1:15 p.m. this day, at the Coast Harbourside and Marina in Victoria, B.C., the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

Witness(es): As Individual: John Volpe. *From the Harvesters Association:* Jamie Austin; Jack Connelly. *As Individual:* Alexandra Morton. *From the Government of British Columbia:* Honorable Dennis Streifel, Minister, Fisheries; Bill Valentine, Deputy Minister; Linda Hannah, Assistant Deputy Minister; Bud Graham, Assistant Deputy Minister.

John Volpe made an opening statement and answered questions.

Jamie Austin made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Alexandra Morton made an opening statement and answered questions.

Honourable Dennis Streifel made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Thursday, February 17, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met informally outside Canada at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Olympia, WA, USA, without recording.

At 12:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned.

William Farrell

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Thursday, February 17, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met informally outside Canada at 1:00 p.m. this day, in Olympia, WA, USA, without recording.

At 4:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 35

Friday, February 18, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met informally outside Canada at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Bellingham, WA, USA, without recording.

At 12:15 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:30 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 3:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned.

William Farrell

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Président: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Séance n° 36

Le lundi 21 février 2000

ORDRE DU JOUR:

Étude sur l'aquaculture

TÉMOINS:

«British Columbia Seafood Alliance»:

Michelle James, directrice exécutive.

Commission territoriale des pêches de Kwakiutl:

Pat Alfred, président;

Victor Isaac, vice-président.

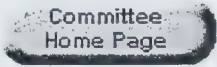
Première nation Ahousaht:

Darrell Campbell, gestionnaire;

Joe Campbell, gestionnaire de bande;

Sidney Sam, père, Comité des pêches.





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Meeting No. 36

Monday, February 21, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:07 a.m. this day, at the Crowne Plaza Georgia Hotel, Vancouver, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the British Columbia Seafood Alliance: Michelle James, Executive Director. *From the Ahousaht First Nation:* Darrell Campbell, Manager; Joe Campbell, Band Manager; Sidney Sam junior, Fishery Committee. *From the Kwakiutl Territorial Fisheries Commission:* Pat Alfred, President; Victor Isaac, Vice President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Committee resumed consideration of their study on Aquaculture.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 10:45 o'clock a.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 10:57 o'clock a.m. the sitting resumed.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

Lou Sekora moved, - That the Committee travel to Alaska February 23, 24 and 25th to continue its hearings on Aquaculture and Aboriginal Fishing Strategy and that the necessary staff do accompany the Committee. After debate thereon the question being put on the motion, it was agreed.

At 12:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Oceans Act

WITNESSES:

Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society:

Sabine Jessen, Executive Director, B.C. Chapter.

Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs:

Victor Isaac, Vice-President;

Tom Nelson, Spokesperson;

Stewart Phillip, President;

Ardith Walkem, Lawyer.

West Coast Sustainability Association:

Dan Edwards, President.

As Individual:

John Radosevic.



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Monday, February 21, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:16 p.m. this day, in the Crowne Plaza Georgia Hotel, Vancouver, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the West Coast Sustainability Association: Dan Edwards, President. *From the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society:* Sabine Jessen, Executive Director, B.C. Chapter. *From the UFAWU-CAW:* John Radosovic, President. *From the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs:* Stewart Phillip, President; Tom Nelson, Councillor; Victor Isaac, Vice President; Ardith Walkem, Lawyer. *From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans:* Ron Kehl, Field Supervisor, Port Alberni; Herb Redekop, Acting Conservation and Protection Supervisor; Robert Martinolich, Acting Director, Conservation and Protection; Paul McGillivray, Regional Director, Fisheries Management, Pacific Region.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee undertook a Review of the Act

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 3:45 o'clock p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 3:54 o'clock p.m. the sitting resumed.

At 3:55 o'clock p.m. the Committee met in camera.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:23 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 38

Tuesday, February 22, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Aquaculture

WITNESSES:

David Suzuki Foundation:

Lynn Hunter, Fisheries and Aquaculture Specialist.

Future SEA Technologies:

Craig Williams, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:

Val Roddick, Member.

Sierra Legal Defence Fund:

Karen Wrysten, Executive Director.



As Individuals:

Robert Corlett;

Charles H. McKee;

Eric Taylor;

Karen Wilson.

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Meeting No. 38

Tuesday, February 22, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:02 a.m. this day, at the Crowne Plaza Georgia Hotel, Vancouver, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Sierra Legal Defence Fund: Karen Wristen, Executive Director. *From the David Suzuki Foundation:* Lynn Hunter, Fisheries and Aquaculture Specialist. *From Future Sea Technologies:* Craig Williams, President and Chief Executive Officer. *From the British Columbia Legislative Committee:* Karen Wilson. *As Individuals:* Robert Corlett; Dr. Eric Taylor; Charles H. McKee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 39

Tuesday, February 22, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Aquaculture

WITNESSES:

Aquametrix Research:

Stephen F. Cross, President, Research Director.

B.C. Salmon Farmers Association:

Ward Griffioen;

David Groves, Doctor, Representative;

Brad Hicks, Doctor, Representative;

Anne McMullin.

Canadian Sablefish Association:

Bruce Turriss, Executive Director.

Georgia Strait Alliance:

Laurie MacBride, Executive Director.



T. Buck Suzuki Foundation:

David Lane, Research Director.

As Individual:

Ray Peterson, Doctor.

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Meeting No. 39

Tuesday, February 22, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:30 p.m. this day, at the Crowne Plaza Georgia Hotel, in Vancouver, B.C., the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the T. Buck Suzuki Foundation: David Lane, Research Director. *From the B.C. Salmon Farmers Association:* Anne McMullin; Ward Griffioen; Brad Hicks; David Groves; Stephen F. Cross. *As Individual:* Dr. R.G. Peterson. *From the Spring Salmon Farm:* David Groves. *As Individual:* Dr. Brad Hicks, Veterinarian. *From the Aquamatrix Research:* Stephen F. Cross, President, Research Director. *From the Canadian Sablefish Association:* Bruce Turris, Executive Director. *From the Georgia Strait Alliance:* Laurie MacBride, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 6:26 o'clock p.m. the Committee proceeded in camera

At 7:26 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 40

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Presentation of the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure



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Meeting No. 40

Thursday, March 2, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Chairman presented the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which is as follow:

It was agreed, - That the Researcher prepare an overview on the discussions held in Washington and British Columbia during the Committee's travel to British Columbia and the West Coast.

It was agreed, - That two Aboriginal groups from the West Coast be invited to appear on the Aboriginal Fishing Strategy;

It was agreed, - That the Minister be invited to appear on April 11 to discuss the ongoing negotiation in regards to the Marshall decision;

It was agreed, - That the Minister be invited to appear on April 12, 2000 in regards to the Main Estimates for the fiscal year 2000-2001;

It was agreed, - That Messrs Mackenzie and Theriault appear before the end of March to discuss the ongoing negotiations in regards to the Marshall decision;

It was agreed, - That the Committee hold hearing and visits in the following areas:

St.-Andrews-by-the-Sea, NB

Maine (place to be determined)

Baddeck, NS

Burin Peninsula, NFLD (places to be determined)

Makkovik, Labrador

Cartwright, Labrador

Charlottetown, PEI (place to be determined)

Cape Sable Island, NS

It was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel from March 29 to April 7, 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture, the Review of the Oceans Act and their study on Aboriginal Fishing Strategy through the Maritimes, Maine, Newfoundland, PEI and Labrador.

It was agreed, - To invite the Minister to appear on the Marshall decision;

It was agreed, - To invite the Aquaculture Commissioner to appear.

John Duncan moved, - That the Second Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure be adopted.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEAS

Assadourian, Sarkis

Duncan, John

Gilmour, Bill

Karetak-Lindell, Nancy

Matthews, Bill

O'Brien, Lawrence

Proulx, Marcel

Provenzano, Carmen

Sekora, Lou

Steckle, Paul

NAYS

Bernier, Yvan

Lou Sekora moved, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel from March 29 to

April 7, 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture, the Review of the Oceans Act and their study on Aboriginal Fishing Strategy through the Maritimes, Maine, Newfoundland, PEI and Labrador and that the Chair table this request at the Committee's Third Report.

And debate continuing.

A lack of quorum being drawn to the attention of the Chair, the meeting was adjourned.

At 10:02 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 41

Thursday, March 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano and Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

CHAIRMAN'S DECISION

On March 2, 2000 the Committee adopted the Steering Committee Report which included in there was a motion to travel. Therefore the Committee did not have to debate a separate travel motion which the Committee, on a recorded vote, pronounced their decision. Hence we will now proceed to the motion on the travel budget.

It was moved, - That the Chair be authorized to write to the Minister re-stating that the Committee requests the appearance of James Mackenzie and Gilles Thériault before the end of March, 2000.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was negatived.

It was moved, - That the travel budget in the amount of \$171,489.00 be approved and debate continuing.

A lack of quorum being drawn to the attention of the Chair, at 4:45 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 42

Tuesday, March 21, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Canada-U.S. Tuna Treaty

WITNESS:

As Individual:

Joe Graceffo.



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Meeting No. 42

Tuesday, March 21, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 11:04 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon.

Witness: As Individual: Joe Graceffo.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), consideration of the Canada-U.S. Tuna Treaty.

Joe Graceffo made an opening statement and answered questions.

John Duncan moved, - That the Committee write to the Minister urging him to ensure that year 2000 sport fishing regulations be announced as soon as practically possible.

And debate continuing.

By unanimous consent at 12:14 p.m., the Committee met in Camera.

At 12:40 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 43

Thursday, March 23, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Aquaculture

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

John Davis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science;

Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy;

Iola Price, Director, Aquaculture and Oceans Science Branch.



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Thursday, March 23, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Liseanne Forand, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy; Dr. John Davis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science; Iola Price, Director, Aquaculture and Oceans Science Branch; Michel Leclerc, Special Advisor to the Assistant Deputy Minister (Policy).

Pursuant To Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study of Aquaculture.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:16 o'clock a.m., John Duncan, the Vice-Chair, took the Chair.

At 10:40 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:45 o'clock a.m., the Committee met in camera.

At 11:16 o'clock a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 44

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Aquaculture

WITNESSES:

Aqua Health Ltd.:

Myron Roth, Vice-President, Production and Regulatory Affairs.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

Yves Bastien, Commissioner for Aquaculture Development.



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Meeting No. 44

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:10 o'clock a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Member(s) of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness(es): From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Yves Bastien, Commissioner for Aquaculture Development; Dr. Myron Roth, Vice President, Production & Regulatory Affairs, Aqua Health Ltd..

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:01 o'clock a.m., the Committee met in camera.

It was agreed, - That the motion adopted by the Committee on March 2, 2000 in regards to travel be withdrawn.

It was agreed, - That the motion moved on March 16, 2000 in regards to the Committee's travel budget be withdrawn.

It was agreed, - That the operational budget be approved.

At 11:20 o'clock a.m., it was agreed, - That the Committee meet in public.

Lou Sekora moved, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel from April 3 to 13, 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture, their statutory review of the *Oceans Act* and fisheries issues in Quebec, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador and P.E.I.

Gerald Keddy moved, - That the motion be amended by changing the dates to April 30 to May 10, 2000.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the amendment, it was carried.

The motion, as amended, carried.

Lou Sekora moved, - That the Chair seek funds of \$175,989.00 for the travel of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans the week of April 30 to May 10, 2000 to continue their

comprehensive study on Aquaculture, their statutory review of the *Oceans Act* and fisheries issues in Quebec, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador and P.E.I.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was carried, on the following recorded division:

YEAS:

NAYS:

Sarkis Assadourian

John Cummins

Yvan Bernier

Bill Matthews (2)

Gerald Keddy

Marcel Proulx

Carmen Provenzano

Lou Sekora

Paul Steckle

Peter Stoffer (8)

Bill Matthews moved, - That the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans cancel its planned trip to the East Coast of Canada and cease any further work on finalizing a report on the Aquaculture Industry.

After debate thereon, it was agreed, - That debate on the motion be deferred until April 11, 2000.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the Committee's decision to travel to Quebec, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador and P.E.I. as their Third Report to the House.

At 12:20 o'clock p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 45

Thursday, March 30, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESS:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection Directorate.



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Meeting No. 45

Thursday, March 30, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 8:30 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Gerald Keddy, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: John Richardson for Nancy Karetak-Lindell; Hec Clouthier for Lawrence O'Brien.

Other Member present: Charles Hubbard.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: David Bevan, Director General, Conservation and Protection Directorate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed consideration of its study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on *R. v. Marshall* on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

Gerald Keddy moved, That the Committee request the appearance of Chief Federal Representative James MacKenzie and Assistant Federal Representative Gilles Thériault before the Standing Committee at a time prior to the two-week recess of Parliament on April 15th.

After debate thereon the question being put on the motion, it was negatived on the following recorded decision:

YEAS:

Yvan Bernier

Gerald Keddy

Peter Stoffer (3)

NAYS:

Sarkis Assadourian

Hec Clouthier

Marcel Proulx

Carmen Provenzano

John Richardson

Lou Sekora

Paul Steckle (7)

At 10:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 46

Tuesday, April 11, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

APPEARING:

Honourable Herb Dhaliwal, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management;

Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister.



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Meeting No. 46

Tuesday, April 11, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 3:35 o'clock p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Mark Muisse.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Researcher.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Herb Dhaliwal, Minister.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister; Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

The Minister made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

The Chairman presented the Third Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure, which reads as follows:

It was agreed, - That the Committee hear the following witnesses on the *Oceans Act* the week of May 15, 2000:

St. Lawrence Economic Development Council
(SODES)

Chamber of Maritime Commerce

Shipping Federation of Canada

Save Our Seas and Shores Coalition

It was agreed, - That the Committee hear the following witnesses on the Marshall Decision, by videoconference, the week of April 10, 2000:

Atlantic Fishing Industry Council

Mr. Sterling Belliveau

Association des crabiers gaspésiens inc.

It was agreed, - That the dates for the East Coast trip be changed to May 28 to June 8, 2000.

It was agreed, - That the witnesses on the oceans Act be heard the week of May 1, 2000.

It was agreed, - That the Third Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure be adopted.

On motion of Paul Steckle it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the Committee's decision to travel to Quebec, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador and P.E.I. as their Fourth Report to the House.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 47

Wednesday, April 12, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Atlantic Fishing Industry Alliance:

Denny Morrow, Coordinator.

As Individual:

Sterling Belliveau.



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Meeting No. 47

Wednesday, April 12, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle and Peter Stoffer.

Acting Member(s) present: Mark Muisse for Gerald Keddy.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer, Researcher.

Witnesses: From the Atlantic Fishing Industry Alliance: Denny Morrow, Coordinator. *As Individual:* Sterling Belliveau.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

By videoconference from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed - That the motion of Bill Mathews be withdrawn.

Peter Stoffer moved, - That the Chair be authorized to write to the Auditor General on behalf of the Committee, requesting the Auditor General to undertake an investigation of Scotia Rainbow, an Arichat, Nova Scotia fin-fish farm, in connection to outstanding debts to three federal agencies totalling more than \$6.9 million.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion it was negatived.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 48

Tuesday, May 2, 2000

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Review of the Ocean Act

Study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Afton Band:

Kerry Prosper.

"Association des crabiers gaspésiens Inc.":

Maurice Ouellet, Executive Director.

Chamber of Maritime Commerce:

Jim Campbell, Vice-President and General Manager.

Earth Action, P.E. I.:

Irene Novaczek.



Municipality of Pictou County:

Rose MacKenzie, Councillor.

Save Our Seas and Shores Coalition:

Mary J. Gorman, Spokesperson.

St. Lawrence Economic Development Council:

Marc Gagnon, Executive Director;

Claude Mailloux, Assistant Executive Director.

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Meeting No. 48

Tuesday, May 2, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:09 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Gérard Asselin, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the St. Lawrence Economic Development Council: Marc Gagnon, Executive Director; Claude Mailloux, Assistant Executive Director. *From the Chamber of Maritime Commerce:* Jim Campbell, Vice-President and General Manager. *By videoconference, from the Save Our Seas And Shores Coalition:* Mary J. Gorman, Spokesperson.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee resumed its review of the Act.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:14 a.m., the sitting resumed.

By videoconference, the witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 12:14 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:40 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R. v. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

Witness: By videoconference, from the "Association des crabiers gaspésiens Inc.": Maurice Ouellette, Executive Director.

By videoconference, the witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 1:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 49

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Oceans Act

WITNESS:

Area 19 Snow Crab Fishermen's Association:

Deborah M. Baker, Legal Representative.



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Meeting No. 49

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 10:45 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Vice Chair, John Duncan, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness: By Video Conference from Halifax, Nova Scotia: Snow Crab Fishermen's Association, Area 19: Deborah M. Baker, Legal Representative.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee resumed its review of the Act

At 11:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair due to technical difficulties.

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Chair: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Meeting No. 50

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 -- under Fisheries and Oceans

APPEARING:

Honourable Harbance Singh Dhaliwal, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

WITNESSES:

Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

Pat Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management;

Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister.



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Meeting No. 50

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in a televised session at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Herb Dhaliwal, Minister.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister; John Adams, Commissioner, Canadian Coast Guard; John Davis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Science; Patrick Chamut, Assistant Deputy Minister, Fisheries Management.

Pursuant to an Order from the House of Commons dated Tuesday, February 29, 2000: Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 -- under Fisheries and Oceans.

The Chair called Vote 1 under FISHERIES AND OCEANS.

The Minister made a statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 4:10 p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 4:40 the sitting resumed.

The Minister and the other witnesses answered questions.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, Vote 1 was carried on division.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, Vote 5 was carried on division.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, Vote 10 was carried on division.

By unanimous consent, the Chair was authorized to report the Estimates to the House.

At 5:28 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 51

Tuesday, May 30, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:11 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Gérard Asselin, Yvan Bernier (by conference call), John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Marcel Proulx, Carmen Provenzano, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Committee proceeded to discuss future business.

It was agreed, - That the Chair set up a briefing on species at risk and cruelty to animals and what the implications may be on fisheries.

Marcel Proulx moved, - That the Committee issue a press release throughout the Maritimes and the Province of Quebec explaining that the Canadian Alliance refuses the Committee authorization to travel in these areas.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to on the following recorded division: YEAS: 5; NAYS: 2.

YEAS = Sarkis Assadourian, Bill Matthews, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle.

NAYS = Gerald Keddy, Carmen Provenzano.

At 10:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 52

Thursday, June 1st, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:15 a.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier (by teleconference), Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle.

Acting Members present: Steve Mahoney for Marcel Proulx; Joe Jordan for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Committee proceeded to discuss future business.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed, - That the Committee seek an Order of Reference to travel from October 15th to the 25th, 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture, their statutory review of the *Oceans Act* and fisheries issues in Quebec, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador and P.E.I.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed, - That the Committee travel to Chile during the month of November 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed, - That the Committee travel to Ontario during the month of October 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed, - That the Committee travel to Japan during the month of February 2001 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the Committee's decisions to travel to the House.

At 9:20 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 53

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Review of the Oceans Act

WITNESS:

Area 19 Snow Crab Fishermen's Association:

Deborah M. Baker, Legal Representative.



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Meeting No. 53

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 1:07 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Yvan Bernier, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Bill Matthews, Lawrence O'Brien, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness: By Video Conference from Halifax, Nova Scotia: Area 19 Snow Crab Fishermen's Association: Deborah M. Baker, Legal Representative.

Pursuant to Section 52 of the Oceans Act, the Committee resumed its review of the Act

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

It was agreed, - That the Committee hear the Atlantic Salmon Federation on Tuesday, June 13, 2000.

At 1:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 54

Thursday, June 8, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:20 a.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Bill Matthews, Carmen Provenzano, Paul Steckle.

Acting Members present: Marlene Jennings for Marcel Proulx; Bob Speller for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Committee proceeded to discuss future business.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, - That the travel budget in the amount of \$55,775.50 be approved.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed, - That the Chair seek funds of \$55,775.50 for the travel of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans to Ontario during the month of October 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

On motion of Bill Matthews, it was agreed, - That the travel budget in the amount of \$114,384.96 be approved.

On motion of Bill Matthews, it was agreed, - That the Chair seek funds of \$114,384.96 for the travel of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans to Chile during the month of November 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

On motion of John Duncan, it was agreed, - That the Committee travel to Norway and Scotland during the month of April 2001 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to table the Committee's decision to travel to the House.

At 9:25 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Chair: Wayne Easter, Lib.

Meeting No. 55

Tuesday, June 13, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of fisheries issues

WITNESS:

Atlantic Salmon Federation:

Stephen A. Chase, Vice-President, Government Affairs.



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Meeting No. 55

Tuesday, June 13, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:13 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Wayne Easter, Bill Gilmour, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witness: From the Atlantic Salmon Federation: Stephen A. Chase, Vice President, Government Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to consider Fisheries Issues.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 10:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 56

Tuesday, September 26, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the implications of the September 17, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.C. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region

WITNESSES:

Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

Michael Alexander, Acting Director General, Aboriginal Policy and Governance;

David Bevan, Directeur General, Resource Management Directorate;

Howard Powles, Director, Fisheries Research Branch, Fisheries and Oceans Science Directorate;

Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister.



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Meeting No. 56

Tuesday, September 26, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 9:04 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Marcel Proulx, Lou Sekora, Paul Steckle, Peter Stoffer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, research officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans: Jack Stagg, Associate Deputy Minister; David Bevan, Director General, Resource Management Directorate; Michel Alexander, Acting Director General, Aboriginal Policy & Governance; Howard Powles, Director, Fisheries Research Branch, Fisheries & Oceans Science Directorate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), briefing on the implications of the September 17th, 1999 Supreme Court decision on R.C. Marshall on the Management of fisheries in the Atlantic Region.

Jack Stagg made an opening statement

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed,--That the Committee seek an Order of Reference from the House of Commons to travel to Faroe Islands, Norway and Scotland from November 25 to December 7, 2000 to continue their comprehensive study on Aquaculture and that the said Committee be composed of 2 Alliance members, 1 Bloc Québécois member, 1 NDP member, 1 Conservative member and 5 Liberals and that the necessary staff do accompany the Committee.

On motion of Paul Steckle, it was agreed,--That the Chair be authorized to approve the travel budget to Faroe Islands, Norway and Scotland and present the said budget to the budget Sub-Committee of Liaison.

The witnesses answered questions.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed,--That the Chair be authorized to approve a supplementary budget for the East Cost trip and submit the same to the budget Sub-Committee.

At 11:14 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 57

Wednesday, October 4, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs



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Meeting No. 57

Wednesday, October 4, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block for the purpose of electing a Chair and two Vice-Chairs, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1) and (2).

Members of the Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Yvan Bernier, John Cummins, Stan Dromisky, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Nancy Karetak-Lindell, Gerald Keddy, Lawrence O'Brien, Peter Stoffer.

Acting Members present: Peter Adams for Bill Matthews; Raymond Lavigne for Carmen Provenzano; Ray Bonin for Lou Sekora.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of the Chair.

On motion of Peter Stoffer, it was agreed,--That Wayne Easter be elected Chair of the Committee.

Accordingly, Wayne Easter was declared duly elected Chair of the Committee and took the Chair.

On motion of John Cummins, it was agreed,--That John Duncan be elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Lawrence O'Brien, it was agreed,--That Sarkis Assadourian be elected Vice-Chair of the Committee.

At 3:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

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Meeting No. 58

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Meeting No. 58

Monday, October 16, 2000

The Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met at 8:38 a.m. this day, in St. Andrews, New Brunswick, the Chair, Wayne Easter, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: John Cummins, John Duncan, Wayne Easter, Peter Stoffer.

Other Member present: Greg Thompson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Alan Nixon, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO): Thomas W. Sephton, Director, Biological Station, Science Branch, Maritimes Region; Roderick MacDonald, Area Resource Management Chief, Southwest New Brunswick. *From the NB Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture, NB Department of Natural Resources and Energy and NB Department of Environment:* Claire Le Page, Deputy Minister; Kim Lipsett, Director of Aquaculture; Greg Shanks, Director, Stewardship; Paul Monti, Director, Policy. *From the NB Salmon Grower's Association:* Nell Halse. *From the Huntsman Marine Science Centre:* Mark J. Costello, Executive Director; Brian Glebe, Manager, Atlantic Salmon Bloodstock Production Program. *From the Grand Manan Fisherman's Association:* Klaus Sonnenberg, General Manager. *From the Conservation Council of New Brunswick:* Janice Harvey. *From the Atlantic Salmon Federation:* Bill Taylor, President; Stephen A. Chase, Vice President, Intergovernmental Affairs; Frederick G. Whoriskey, Vice-President, Research & Environment. *From the Moore-Clarke:* Mike Beattie. *From the University of New Brunswick:* Thierry B.R. Chopin, Department of Biology.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its study on Aquaculture

Thomas Sephton made an opening statement and answered questions.

Claire Le Page made an opening statement and, along with Kim Lipsett, Paul Monti and Greg Shanks, answered questions.

Nell Halse made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

William Farrell

Clerk of the Committee

